

COMMENT OF  
THE DAY

Stalled Talks

THERE is now little, if any, prospect of the UN disarmament subcommittee reaching a medium of agreement before the visit to Britain next week of Mr. Bulganin and Mr. Khrushchev. Perhaps that is how the Soviet leaders intended it should be, hoping that through their own personal efforts, they might bring Sir Anthony Eden round to acceptance of the Russian way of thinking.

Mr. Gromyko has consistently stalled in the current London talks, relieving the tedium only by tabling a proposal that an attempt be made to reach agreement on the reduction, limitation and control of conventional armaments, leaving aside for the moment the whole question of nuclear weapons.

THE engaging thing about this proposition is that it involves a drastic change in the Russian attitude on disarmament, inasmuch that since 1947 the Soviet government has insisted that the prohibition of the use of atomic or nuclear weapons must be a pre-condition for any programme of armaments reduction. But it has been no more than a tentative suggestion and Mr. Gromyko has made no attempt to present the proposal in detailed form.

This is the essential difference between the approach to the present discussions by the Western powers and that of Russia, Britain and France have presented a joint comprehensive scheme for the reduction of armaments and the control and eventual abolition of nuclear weapons in three stages; the United States has come up with fully enunciated plan for limited disarmament, reduction of military manpower, plus inspection and control of nuclear weapons. Without giving a downright "niet," Mr. Gromyko has shown little or no interest in any of these proposals.

The Russian suggestion is not entirely without merit, but it is one thing to decide on an attempt to reach agreement on reductions in the size of armed forces and conventional weapons, and quite another to reach such agreement.

THERE is a tendency to oversimplify the problem; to talk as if all that is required is to fix a limit for the manpower of the forces of each of the great powers. It was true once, but no longer. There is a vast difference between the "military potential" of an armoured division and a numerically equal number of "bayonets." Nor can the striking power of an air force be assessed by counting heads.

So far, Mr. Gromyko has only hinted at a new Soviet attitude to the disarmament question, and something more concrete is required before the prospects of a "closing of the gap" between Western and Russian viewpoints can be evaluated. Perhaps Messrs. Bulganin and Khrushchev will fill in the picture in a sufficiently helpful way as to encourage the Western delegates to pursue the London talks with renewed enthusiasm.

# "WE WILL KEEP THE PEACE"

## Only To Act In Self-Defence

New York, Apr. 12.

Mr Dag Hammarskjold, the United Nations Secretary-General, today informed the members of the Security Council that Israel and Egypt had both agreed "unconditionally" to abide by the provisions of their armistice agreement banning warlike or hostile acts against each other, while reserving the right of self-defence.

Mr Hammarskjold is now in Cairo on a Security Council mission to survey the Arab-Israeli borders.

He sent back to New York the text of appeals made by him to Mr David Ben-Gurion, the Israeli Premier, and Lt-Col Gamal Abdel Nasser, the Egyptian Premier, and their replies.

The texts were immediately circulated among Security Council members. Colonel Nasser in reply on April 11 to Mr Hammarskjold, received Egypt's "right of self-defence" as stipulated in the United Nations charter. But he reiterated Egypt's "unconditional acceptance" of Article two, paragraph two, of the Egyptian-Israeli armistice agreement banning warlike or hostile acts against the other side.

Mr David Ben-Gurion, in a letter to Major-General E.L.M. Burns, the UN truce chief, said that Israel unconditionally agreed to comply fully with the provisions of the armistice agreement, "it being understood that Egypt would do likewise." He then said that if Egypt did not comply with the provisions and "continues her warlike acts against Israel we must reserve our freedom to act in self-defence."

### INTERPRETATION

In reply to Mr Ben-Gurion, Mr Hammarskjold sent another note on April 10 saying he understood that the Israeli Prime Minister's reservation in no way detracted from the unconditional undertaking to observe Article two, paragraph two, and that the words "self-defence" had therefore to be interpreted in conformity with the stipulations of the paragraph.

The Secretary-General, in a note to Colonel Nasser dated April 11, said he noted "with appreciation the statement of the government of Egypt" reiterating acceptance of the armistice provisions.

He also told Colonel Nasser, as he had told the Israeli Prime Minister, that the term "self-defence" had to be interpreted in conformity with the stipulations of the armistice agreement.

Mr Hammarskjold, who left New York last Friday, addressed his first message to Colonel Nasser from Rome, where he spent the weekend. Expressing his concern with the developments in the Gaza area, the Secretary-General told the Egyptian Prime Minister: "I wish to draw your attention to the vital need of breaking the present chain of actions and reaction."

For that reason he asked for "strict compliance" with the armistice provisions.—Reuter.

### IKE SENDS NOTES

Augusta, Apr. 12. President Eisenhower sent personal messages to the leaders of Egypt and Israel last Monday it was announced today. Announcing this, Mr James Hagerly, the presidential press secretary, said copies of the statement by President Eisenhower declaring the United States intention to "assist and support" any victim of aggression.

### They Give Their Word



BEN-GURION



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sion in the Middle East by "constitutional means" was also sent along.

The messages went to Mr David Ben-Gurion of Israel, and Lt-Col Nasser, of Egypt. Mr Hagerly did not disclose the contents of the personal messages Mr Eisenhower sent to Mr Ben-Gurion and Colonel Nasser. Presumably, it urged restraint, as had the President's statement on last Monday.—Reuter.

### RUSSIAN HINT

London, Apr. 12. From Curtin diplomats suggested discreetly today that Britain, France and the United States should meet shortly with Russia and "other interested nations" for a settlement of the Middle Eastern crisis.

The hint, dropped privately, brushed aside hopeful speculation that some Middle Eastern might be arranged with the Soviet leaders during their forthcoming talks with Sir

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## Jet Fighters In Aerial Combats

London, Apr. 12.

Israeli aircraft shot down an Egyptian Vampire jet fighter today (Thursday) in a battle along the tense border between the two countries.

An Israeli military spokesman, who announced the incident in Jerusalem, said the Egyptian aircraft fell on Israeli territory.

Three other Egyptian aircraft were shot down today in the aerial battle. The Israeli spokesman said today that the Egyptian jet fighter turned back to Egyptian territory, while the two Israeli jet aircraft involved returned safely to base, he added.

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United Nations truce observers today started investigations into last night's commando attack on the Shafir agricultural school, 10 miles from Tel-Aviv, where three youths and their instructor were killed and five others injured.

Israeli reconnaissance planes and hundreds of police and troops, including motorised units, were combing hundreds of acres of thick orange groves reaching almost to the Jordanian border.

### CAIRO CLAIM

In Cairo an Egyptian military spokesman said tonight an Israeli plane was shot down in an air battle this morning over the El Aija demilitarised zone. The spokesman said the Israeli plane was a French Ouragan fighter.

He said the commander in charge of an Egyptian air patrol reported the Israeli plane was shot down on its return to base.

Three Israeli jets "violated Jordan air space and chased an Arab Airways passenger plane" this evening, a Jordanian spokesman said in Amman tonight.

The spokesman said the jets did not open fire and the passenger plane later arrived safely in Cairo.

He added the plane was flying from Amman to Cairo when the jets appeared about 10 miles east of the Dead Sea area.—Reuter.

## Eden To Put Up Proposal

From DEREK MARKS

London, Apr. 12. Sir Anthony Eden will ask Mr Bulganin and Mr Khrushchev if they are interested in joining the West in a new keep-the-peace guarantee in the Middle East.

This will be one of the most important moves Eden and Foreign Secretary Selwyn Lloyd will make in talks during the Russian leaders' visit to Britain which begins next Wednesday.

It is clear there has already been some discussion between London and Washington—and London and Paris—on the idea. The plan would be that Russia joined the Western powers in guaranteeing the Arab-Israeli frontiers, under United Nations sponsorship.

At present, Britain, France and America are pledged to defend these frontiers against aggression from either side.

They are also united in balancing arms exports to the Jews and Arabs—an arrangement that was undermined by the sale of large quantities of Czech arms to Egypt.

That problem will be raised too, Bulganin and Khrushchev will be asked to subscribe to this balance of arms policy.—London Express Service.

### NO INVITATION

London, Apr. 12. The British Foreign Office said today that it had no plans at present to invite the Egyptian Premier, Colonel Abdel Gamal Nasser, to London. The Foreign Office spokesman said: "We know of no plans to invite Nasser to Britain."—United Press.

## JOHANNESBURG RIOT: EUROPEANS INJURED

Johannesburg, Apr. 12.

Seven Europeans, including two women and a seven-year-old boy, were injured by stones tonight when rioting broke out at a beer hall in the Western (African) township here and spread to the adjoining African township of Sophiatown.

Street cars and automobiles were stoned by the Africans.

Police reinforcements were rushed to the scene and opened fire with sten guns and revolvers on the rioting Africans.

Traffic along the main road of Sophiatown—a new town built for negroes recently—was halted and municipal transport in the Western European sector of Johannesburg was re-routed to avoid the troubled area.

The rioting is reported to have started when European and African police raided a beer hall in a taxi drive. Police surrounded the hall but Africans inside first threw beer receptacles at them, then forced their way out and started stoning them.

Reinforcements arrived but by then the rioting had spread to the outskirts of the township

adjoining the main road. Shop windows were smashed and some people attempted looting. Police patrolled the area in riot vans and squad cars until late tonight.

Some of the injured Europeans were passengers in a street car which drove at full speed through a mob which pelted it with stones. Others had been driving automobiles passing through the area.—Reuter.

### CEYLON'S NEW PREMIER BROADCASTS

## "WILL DO OUR BEST TO FULFIL MANDATE"

Colombo, Apr. 12.

Mr S. W. R. D. Bandaranaike, Ceylon's new Prime Minister, in a broadcast to the nation tonight promised "justice and fair play to racial, religious and other minorities as well as his political opponents in the execution of the policies and programmes for which his party had received the people's mandate."

In his brief message the Prime Minister said he and his Cabinet were entering upon the tasks of government "in a spirit of humility and with a deep sense of the responsibility that now rests on our shoulders."

"We shall perform our duty sincerely, and to the best of our ability, bearing in mind the wishes of the people who have returned us to power," he said.

Mr Bandaranaike appealed to all friends and supporters of his government, as well as his political opponents, to give him their support and co-operation, and not to allow any petty personal considerations to stand in the way of the successful realisation of the new government's objectives—the achievement of true freedom in every sense, and peace, happiness, and prosperity.

### SUPPORT PROMISED

The Trotskyite Lanka Sama Samaja Party tonight announced it would give full support to the new government in carrying through reforms promised during the election campaign.

The Party is now the second largest in Ceylon after winning 14 seats in the election.

A Party announcement said that in present circumstances the Party's support "can best be given from the opposition benches from where we will follow a policy of responsive co-operation."

In this way, the announcement added, the liquidation of what was left of the United National Party could be ensured.—Reuter.

## Tribal Revolt In Spanish Morocco

Madrid, Apr. 12.

Several tribes have revolted in the Spanish territory of Ifni in south Morocco, an informed source said in Madrid tonight. Unconfirmed reports said that several Spanish army officers had been killed in the revolt. It was reported that incidents had also taken place in the Spanish colony of Rio De Oro, south of Morocco on the Atlantic coast.

So far no official reports have been received in Madrid concerning these revolts. Ifni is a small Spanish enclave on the Atlantic coast in the extreme south of what was French Morocco.

Informed sources said reinforcements of troops and paratroopers were preparing to leave the Canary Islands for the trouble spot of Ifni.—France-Press.

### PRIEST ARRESTED IN NICOSIA

Nicosia, Apr. 12. A 35-year old Cypriot Greek priest, Papafotios Kaloyirotis, was arrested today in Nicosia as a suspected terrorist.

Kaloyirotis was the second in charge of the Phanicentral Greek cathedral in Nicosia under Papastavros Papagiannoulou, who is now in exile with Archbishop Makarios, spiritual leader of the Cypriot Greek union-with-Greece movement.

It was recently officially announced that the Hong-kong Government had purchased property in London to be used as a hostel for Hongkong students in England. Above is a picture of the building — the Lancaster Gate Hotel, soon to be renamed "Hongkong House." It will be the home in London of 70 students from the Colony. The hostel overlooks Hyde Park. — London Express Photo.

## Easing The Restrictions

Washington, Apr. 12.

Mr. Sinaloa Weeks, the Secretary of Commerce, told a press conference today that within a week or so he expected to make public a list of non-strategic goods which United States exporters might send to the Soviet bloc in Europe.

"A fairly substantial number of items will be on the list, probably in the small hundreds," he said.

Mr Weeks added that the easing of controls would apply neither to Communist China nor to the export of any goods which could be used for military purposes by the Soviet nations.—Reuter.

Kuala Lumpur, Apr. 13. Malaysia is ready to begin an all-out people's war against the Communist terrorists in the jungle, the Straits Times reported from here today.—Reuter.

## Who Are The Teddy Boys?

Who are the Teddy Boys? In tomorrow's China Mail, Robert Edwards starts a probing inquiry into a modern menace that is plaguing Britain.

This is only one of the highlights of the feature-packed Saturday Mail. Here are some others:

- ★ Mutiny among the Tories? Then who are the enemies of Sir Anthony Eden?
- ★ Majdalany meets Monroe: the story of the most amazing deal in film history.
- ★ Les Amours spotlights the personality of a man named Khrushchev.

There are all your regular favourites as well including Jane Roberts' film reviews, three pages of local and overseas pictures, special sections for women, children and sportsmen — and the tips for tomorrow's meeting at the Valley — all in the China Mail.

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# ANTI-IKE CAMPAIGN STEPPED-UP Called Part-Time President

Washington, Apr. 12.  
Democrats bombarded President Eisenhower today with a stepped-up attack intended to keep him, and not his advisers, in their gunsights for the 1956 campaign.

The campaign was led by the old "give 'em hell" campaigner, former President Truman. He called Mr. Eisenhower a "do-nothing President" guilty of "political betrayal" of the farmers.

Chairman Paul H. Butler of the Democratic National Committee said he was shocked that

the President—now in Augusta, Georgia—was "left on another golfing holiday in the midst of the Middle East war crisis."

Mr. Butler concentrated on attacking Mr. Eisenhower as a "part-time President" and the Administration's foreign policy. The attacks of Mr. Truman and other Democrats centred on the farm issue, which is stirring up discontent in the normally-Republican farm belt.

## MAY NEVER HAVE A JOB



Britain's new chief executive, who may never be called upon to do his job, is Mr. Harry Allen. Mr. Allen, who is the licensee of the Beasts of the Barn, near Whitefield, Lancashire, succeeds Mr. Albert Pierpoint, who has retired. Mr. Allen has been assistant to both Albert Pierpoint and his father and his successor, Thomas Pierpoint. He takes office at a time when the future of capital punishment in Britain is doubtful.—Reuterphoto.

Light Vote  
Confident Republican Party managers stuck to their belief that farm unrest would not "rub off" on Mr. Eisenhower. But they were worried that it would raise a serious threat to their drive to regain control of Congress.

Republicans worried when the Minnesota and Wisconsin primaries reflected farm dissatisfaction with the Administration—found solace from this week's results in the Illinois primary. They interpreted the returns to show a normal Republican vote in the down-state Illinois counties where the farm vote is dominant.

Democrats also boasted about the Illinois primary because it showed an increase in their share of the vote over the 1952 primary and general election.

Both parties cast a very light vote, and the results showed that neither President Eisenhower nor Mr. Adlai E. Stevenson faced a major challenge in their respective primaries.

## Good Enough

Mr. Stevenson, former Illinois Governor and 1952 Democratic Presidential nominee, showed a percentage improvement over the 1952 results, but he still had not proved that he could carry his home state over Mr. Eisenhower.

However, his showing was good enough to keep his candidacy alive against the challenge of Sen. Estes Kefauver, who upset him in the Minnesota primary.—United Press.

## Russia Will Complete Agriculture Plan

London, Apr. 12.  
Mr. Nikita Khrushchev, Communist Party First Secretary, has forecast that Russia will fulfil the agricultural part of her new five-year plan in "two or three years," Moscow radio reported today.

The Soviet leader was speaking yesterday at the closing session of the young builders conference in the Kremlin. "We have recovered from the damage of the war and have taken the open road forward," he said, according to the radio.

LAGGING  
"We are certainly lagging behind in our agriculture but now the whole Soviet people has risen up to battle against this failure."  
He said the Government planned universal secondary education and condemned people who "think that because they are better educated they are above manual work."  
"This is very wrong and we must tough this attitude out of existence," he added.—Reuter.

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## British Hate For Russians



Miss Cherry Marshall, head of a British model agency—in her British styled suit and hat—as photographed leaving London Airport for Moscow where she is to sell British-made hats to the Russians. She found the weather so cold that before boarding the aircraft she donned a fur coat—and Russian style hat.—Express Photo.

## Disarmament Would Not Unite Germany

Bonn, Apr. 12.  
West Germany does not believe that all-round disarmament will automatically lead to German reunification, Dr. Heinrich von Brentano, the Foreign Minister declared here tonight.

The solution of the reunification problem must be dealt with as an integral part of the disarmament question. Disarmament talks could only lead to a genuine relaxation of tension if they were accompanied by efforts to reach an equitable solution of the German question, Dr. von Brentano stated in an address broadcast by the West German radio network.

## Remove Tensions

"No disarmament can be lasting unless the political tensions which caused it are also removed," he said.  
He did not share the optimistic view that an internationally agreed limitation of armaments would lead to a solution of certain political questions.  
The policy agreed between West Germany and her allies was to regard reunification, European security and all-round disarmament as problems which must be solved together.  
The impression may have arisen after the recent statements of M. Guy Mollet, the French Premier, that the French Government's conception of the

## Would Be Discussed

At the forthcoming meeting between M. Mollet and Dr. Konrad Adenauer, the West German Chancellor, at the end of next month the entire complex of Franco-German relations would be discussed, especially from the point of view of German reunification.—Reuter.

Paris, Apr. 12.  
The ashes of Paul Yudin, Soviet Minister of industrial construction materials, who died on Tuesday, were today sealed in the wall of the Kremlin. Tass reported in a dispatch from Moscow.  
Many members of the Soviet Government attended the funeral, including Premier Nikolai Bulganin, Foreign Secretary Vyacheslav Molotov and Communist Party Secretary, Nikita Khrushchev.—France-Press.

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# Egypt Preparing To Attack Israel



DAVID BEN-GURION

## BEN-GURION QUESTIONS WEST OR UN INTERVENTION RIGHTS

New York, Apr. 12.

Egypt is preparing now to attack Israel, Israeli Premier David Ben-Gurion told Scripps-Howard foreign editor Ludwell Denny in a Tel-Aviv interview carried today on the front page of the New York World-Telegram and the Sun.

Denny wrote: "Premier David Ben-Gurion today warned the world that Egypt now is preparing to attack Israel. 'But he questioned the United Nations' ability or the Western powers' right of military intervention for peace. 'Israel does not want American soldiers to die for her; she wants arms to defend herself,' he said.

### Direct Negotiations

"Mr Ben-Gurion rejected the UN Security Council proposal conveyed by Secretary-General Dag Hammarskjöld for free movement of true observers, Egypt's buffer zone proposal, and unofficial suggestions for United Nations patrols and settlement by arbitration that would be binding through the UN.

"He demanded direct negotiations for mutual benefit, adding there will be peace when the Arabs get democratic governments."

Two weeks ago Denny had a similar interview with Egyptian Premier Gamal Abdel Nasser. Other questions and answers in his interview with the Israeli Premier included:

Q. Is the danger of an Arab-Israeli war increasing?

A. Nasser talked peace when you asked him this question, but from what he's actually doing and inciting his people to do, I think he's making all preparations to attack Israel.

Q. Does Israel as a member recognize the UN Charter has a legal and moral right of military intervention against aggression?

A. Israel recognizes that right but other states in practice may not if Israel is attacked. The Charter existed in 1948 when we were attacked but neither the United Nations nor any of its members helped us.

### Request Refused

According to the newspapers, Mr Dulles has just refused a US Congressmen's request for American arms for Israel because such action might antagonize the Arabs. His sending American troops to defend Israel.

against Arab aggression would certainly antagonize them more.

Q. Is a compromise settlement by the disputants possible, in view of Arab rejection of your proposal for direct negotiations without strings?

A. We believe in settlement for mutual benefit by mutual agreement and co-operation—political, economic and cultural. This will come when the Arabs have democratic responsible governments interested in the welfare of their people—then they'll understand the blessings of peace.—United Press.

## JET PILOT CAPTURED

Tel-Aviv, Apr. 12.

The pilot of the Egyptian Vampire jet fighter which was shot down in Israel today was wounded seriously and has been taken prisoner, an Israeli army spokesman said.

The Egyptian jet was shot down by an Israeli fighter 20 miles inside Israel and crashed near Abbad in southern Israel, the spokesman said.

Meanwhile, Israeli troops searched for Egyptian suicide squads which infiltrated to within six miles of here last night and shot three children dead and wounded 10 other persons, one of them fatally.

Troops said the raiders may have taken refuge across the Jordan border after their attack.—France-Press.

## US Marines To Land On Crete

Washington, Apr. 12.

A force of 100 US Marines attached to the US 6th Fleet in the Mediterranean are scheduled to land in Crete at the beginning of May, the US Navy Department announced here today.

The Navy Department said that the American request for permission for the Marine landing from the Greek Government may have provoked recent rumours that US Marines would be based on Crete.

The Navy Department said that Marines usually took part in the amphibious operations of the US 6th Fleet and North Atlantic Treaty Organization manoeuvres in the region.

It was added that the landing of the Marines on Crete in May would be completely within the framework of normal military exercises.

It had been reported in the American press that US Marine units were to be held in readiness on Crete for possible American intervention in the Middle East.

Under the terms of a Greek-American agreement, American forces in the Eastern Mediterranean have access to a NATO base on Crete. This base is maintained by Greece.—France-Press.

## TERRORISTS KILL SOLDIER

Constantine, Apr. 12.

Terrorists shot in the back and killed a sergeant-major of a French artillery regiment in the middle of Constantine today.

The sergeant-major, Albert Rebois, was shot twice by the terrorists as he was shopping in a square here. He died immediately after being taken to hospital.—France-Press.

## QUEEN AND DUKE ATTEND RAF ANNIVERSARY CONCERT



HRH Queen Elizabeth and the Duke of Edinburgh last weekend attended the inaugural Royal Air Force Anniversary Concert, at the Royal Albert Hall. The concert, in aid of the Royal Air Force Benevolent Fund, commemorating the foundation of the RAF on April 1, 1918. Picture shows: The radiant Queen followed by the Duke of Edinburgh arriving for the concert.—Express Photo.

## LEAKS CASE SENSATION

### Secret Session Reports Passed On—Prosecutor

Paris, Apr. 12.

The French Government prosecutor, Colonel Cardon, caused a sensation in the "leaks case" today by alleging that reports of the secret sessions of the military tribunal currently investigating the leakage of French defence secrets had been passed on to a "third party."

The prosecutor refused to disclose the identity of the "third party" but Maître Baudet, counsel for Jean Mons, former Secretary of the French Defence Council, implicated in the "leakages", at once jumped to his feet:

### Mendes-France

Pale and tense, Baudet asked: "Do you mean a minister in office, a minister who in this court was the first to accuse Monsieur Mons?"

The minister so designated was former French Premier, M. Pierre Mendes-France. Maître Baudet went on: "Do you mean someone so unsure of his situation and his testimony that he should take the trouble to find out what might have taken place so as to prepare what might be his own defence?"

The counsel continued: "From your silence, I draw one conclusion. No doubt I am not far from the truth."

### Knew Informant

The President of the Tribunal immediately ordered the Government prosecutor to report these to the Public Prosecutor.

Another sensational development occurred in today's hearing when journalist Andre Baranes, one of the four accused, declared he knew from an informant he still had on the crypto-Communist newspaper Liberation that the editor of the paper, Emmanuel Destler de la Vierge, was in charge of the French word of the tribunal's secret sessions.

### Secret Archives

When the presiding magistrate asked Baranes for the name of the informant, Baranes would only say: "I cannot give away a friend."

The remainder of the hearing was devoted to the testimony of Air Commandant Robert Volin, in charge of the French word of the tribunal's secret sessions. He was asked to submit a list of persons having access to the archives.—France-Press.

## BRITAIN HITS EXPORT HIGH

London, Apr. 12. Britain's export last month were worth £289,500,000 the highest monthly figure so far, according to provisional figures issued here today by the Board of Trade.

Imports amounted to £230,500,000 last month, while re-exports were worth £13,500,000.

Thus Britain's trade gap with the world was £47,500,000—£2,100,000 less than in February.

The Iron and Steel Board also revealed tonight that Britain's steel production in March reached a new record—425,500 tons a week.

The previous best was February, with 417,500 tons a week.—Reuter.

## SATELLITE SCHEDULE BEHIND

Washington, Apr. 12. The United States is behind schedule by several months in its efforts to launch an artificial satellite, it was announced here today.

The project, dubbed "Operation Vanguard", will not be carried out before the first part of 1957, instead of the summer of 1957, as had been originally planned.

This delay was disclosed here today after publication of the testimony of Mr James Smith, Assistant Secretary of the Navy in charge of aviation, made before a closed session of the Armed Forces Sub-committee of the House of Representatives on March 10.—France-Press.

## SPANISH STRIKE SPREADS TO SHIPYARDS

Barcelona, Apr. 12.

The Spanish general strike today spread to workers in the Maquinista Terrestre Y Maritima shipbuilding yards in Barcelona. The strike is against a Government order limiting wage increases to 20 per cent of the basic wage.

The police were reported to have made a number of arrests among the strikers at the company's yards at San Andres. The strike was followed by a Government order to the shipbuilding company to close down its yards.

The strike wave spread to Barcelona from Navarre and the Basque provinces.

### Called Off

For the present the strike affects the 2,000 men employed at the Maquinista Terrestre Y Maritima yards.

It was learned that workers at the nationalised motor company ENASA, intended to join in the stoppage, but in the end they decided to continue working.

Meanwhile, another company, Morros, closed its doors on the order of the civil governor. It is not yet known how many employees are affected.

In a communiqué published tonight by the civil Government it was claimed that the motive for the stoppage of work in various Barcelona undertakings constituted "a senseless demonstration of political speculation by certain interests."

A communiqué, which announced Government action against the strikers, was later cancelled by the civil Governor of Barcelona.—France-Press.

## Onassis Sells Whaling Fleet

Hamburg, Apr. 12.

Greek-born Argentine shipping magnate, Aristotle Onassis, has sold his entire 16-vessel whaling fleet to the Kyokuyo Fishing Company of Japan for 10 million dollars, Onassis agents announced here today.

The agents, the Olympic Maritime Company, said Onassis was negotiating to sell this season's entire whaling catch to the Kyokuyo firm.

The Onassis fleet, which flies the Panama flag, comprises the 10,000-ton factory ship, the Olympic Challenger, and 15 other 730-ton catchers, manned by some 600 German seamen.

The German crews will be paid off shortly in Rotterdam and will be replaced by Japanese.—France-Press.

## FOR SALE: Churchill's Lion (Stuffed)

London, Apr. 12.

THE stuffed carcass of Rota, Sir Winston Churchill's African lion, was offered for sale in the London Times today as "the greatest historical souvenir of all time."

The advertisement was inspired by Mr George Thomson, zoologist who once kept Rota as a pet in his back garden and who received it back from the British statesman after its death last year.

He is looking for offers from international museums, collectors or perhaps industrialists, he said.

"I claim Rota is a collector's piece. He is not natural history any more," he added, commenting on the advertisement.

The 17-year-old lion, now preserved and modelled in a roaring pose, is on view in London.

An accompanying plaque reads: "Rota, Churchill's victory lion. This African lion was presented by the Zoological Society of London to Sir Winston Churchill in 1943 as a war mascot and to commemorate the magnificent victories in North Africa."

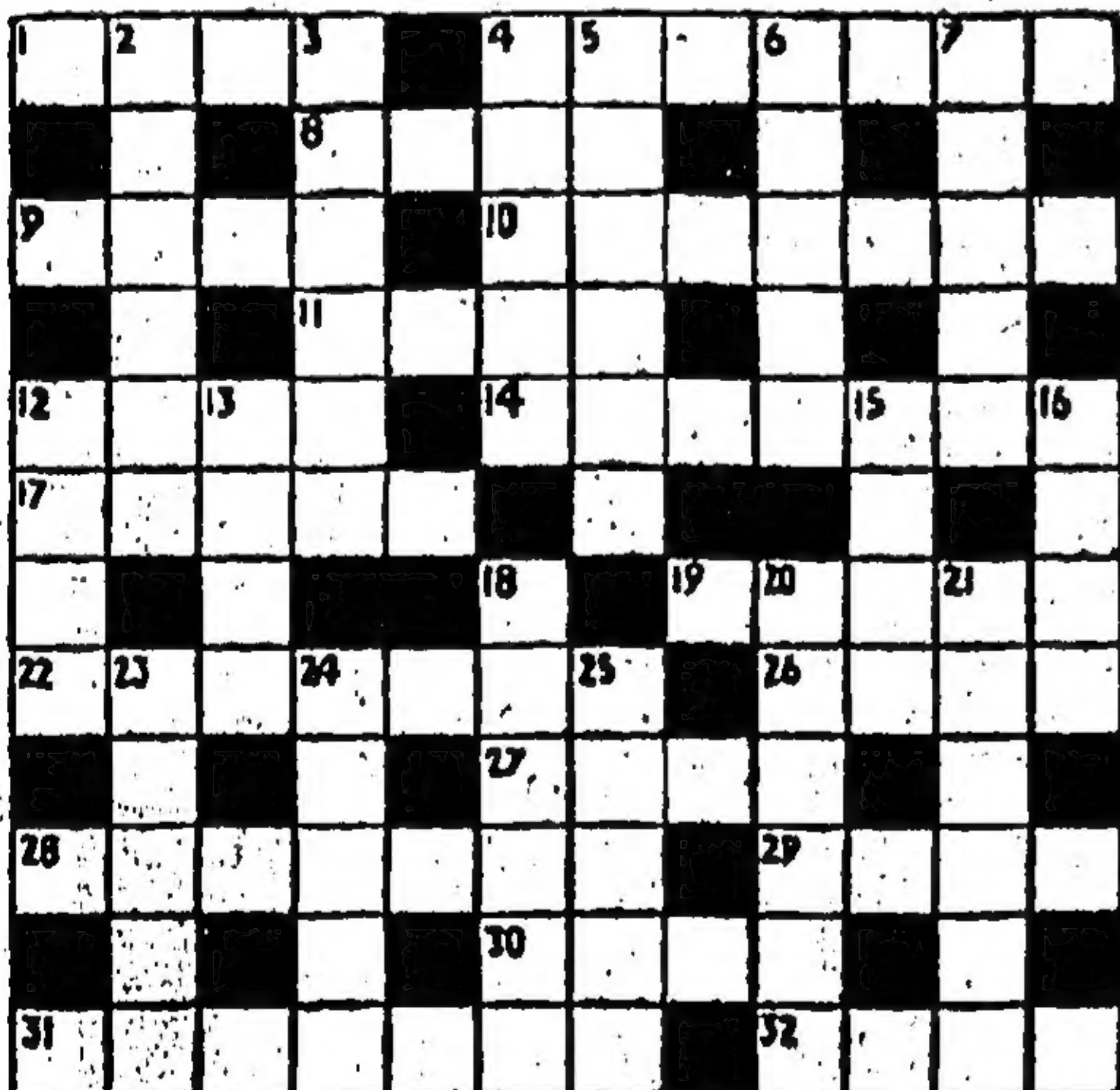
At the statesman's personal request, an additional line was deleted. It reads: "I provide the lion." The Zoological Society accepted Rota after it became too big for Mr Thomson's home.

Mr Thomson said today he would really like to see Rota go on a tour of North Africa and finally find a home in the museum at Chartwell near Sir Winston's home in Kent which is being endowed with the former Prime Minister's 80th birthday fund.

"If there is no national offer, then I think it should be offered to President Eisenhower as a symbol of Anglo-American relations," Mr Thomson added.

"On the other hand, it could be offered to Marshal Bulghin and Mr Khrushchev when they come here this month. I am sure they would be very pleased to have it in the Moscow Museum."—China Mail Special.

## A British Crossword Puzzle



- ACROSS**
- 1 Drows (4).
  - 2 Flunder (7).
  - 3 Detail (4).
  - 4 Quiet (4).
  - 5 Museum-keeper (7).
  - 6 Manhandle (4).
  - 7 Yield (4).
  - 8 Venerated (7).
  - 9 Worship (5).
  - 10 Bowl (5).
  - 11 Places of worship (7).
  - 12 Thaw (4).
  - 13 Quote (4).
  - 14 Stammer (7).
  - 15 Middy (4).
  - 16 Despatch (4).
  - 17 Eternal (7).
  - 18 Washing substance (4).
- DOWN**
- 1 Highly pleased (8).
  - 2 Bolt gently (6).
  - 3 Come again (5).
  - 4 Lucky charm (5).
  - 5 River flood (5).
  - 6 Selected (5).
  - 7 Throw (4).
  - 8 Fate (4).
  - 9 Got up (4).
  - 10 Mark of a blow (4).
  - 11 Hook (5).
  - 12 Repartition (5).
  - 13 London suburb (6).
  - 14 Consumed (3).
  - 15 Part of a flower (5).
  - 16 Ancestors (5).

**YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD:** Across: 1 Eyot, 5 Morse, 8 Major, 9 Impair, 10 Nohed, 11 Trunk, 12 Rust, 13 Toat, 14 Hec, 15 Tender, 16 Toms, 17 Pale, 18 Scrag, 19 Septa, 20 Tander, 21 Gloom, 22 Sains, 23 Rader, 24 Down, 25 Emigrant, 26 Exposure, 27 Enia, 28 Tardier, 29 Monitor, 30 Orator, 31 Sleep, 32 Abashed, 33 Tosses, 34 Rascal, 35 Banister, 36 Ensign, 37 Even, 38 Gains.



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## They're Trying To Run Eden Down

# MUTINY IN THE TORY RANKS

By Richard Strong

**T**HERE is mutiny in the Tory ranks. In the smoking room of the House of Commons, in West End clubs, the rumbles against Sir Anthony Eden grow louder. It is said that he is a weak Prime Minister, that under his administration the fortunes of Britain go sadly into decline.

Nor are these dissident murmurings confined to Tory members of Parliament. The Press is involved. The Tory Daily Telegraph, normally faithful to the Tories through every triumph, adversity and folly, has joined the rebel band.

In leader after leader it has denigrated the Prime Minister and decried his efforts. Praise is lavished upon Mr. Hugh Gaitskill, the Socialist leader. The oratorical feats of Mr. Aneurin Bevan are lyrically reported. All this has one subtle purpose: to diminish the stature of the man for whom the Daily Telegraph revealed nothing but adulation at the General Election. Maybe the Socialists will benefit in the process, but that is a secondary consideration. The Prime Minister is the target. Once the paper hailed him as a good Foreign Secretary. Now it says he is a bad Prime Minister.

### This heresy

Let not the faithful be too dismayed. This heresy at the Daily Telegraph is of no great political significance. No monstrous plots are being hatched in cahoot with Tory challenges to the throne. It is a dining-room war, whose chief characteristic is an undue depreciation of personalities. Not so the snailings at Westminster. Here the disunity among the Tories is of profound political significance. For it brings joy and hope to the Socialists. Where there was bitterness and acrimony among them, now there is brotherhood. The spectacle of the Tory Party tearing itself to pieces has achieved the seemingly insuperable. It has brought the Socialist Party together. The smoke and ashes of defeat were all it beheld. Now, once more, it can see the Promised Land. For this it has to thank the Tory mutineers.

### The motives

What are the motives of these recalcitrant Tories? Examine, first, the charges against the Prime Minister. See how desirous they are. Take Jordan: Shortly following the sacking of General Glubb from the Arab Legion, Sir Anthony said this to members of Parliament: "I must tell the House bluntly that I am not in a position to announce tonight immediate definite lines of policy, which will inevitably be followed, because I am sure that to attempt to do so now, with such information

as we have, would be not only premature but probably dangerous to our own interests, more perhaps than to those of Jordan." Who is the Tory MP who would today dispute the wisdom of these words, and of the caution they reveal? I print this as a challenge. It will go unanswered.

For the Tory rebels who mocked then now know that they were wrong. Sir Anthony was the statesman, and they were the misguides. Since Eden withstood the jeers of the Socialists, and the eloquent silence of his own backbenchers, his refusal to take drastic measures has been totally vindicated.

King Hussein has refused to join in the plottings of the Egyptians, the Saudi-Arabs, and the Syrians. He has snubbed these Middle Eastern adventurers and reasserted his loyalty to the British Empire.

### Their tactics

But supposing Eden had taken harsh reprisals against the young king, as the Tory rebels insisted? Then Jordan would have been forced into the clutches of Colonel Nasser. And with Iraq inevitably following, Britain would have faced a paralysing shortage of oil. Such, then, were the brilliant tactics of the men who claim to know better than Eden. They would have ground our nation to a halt. Their only reward would have been the fulsome gratitude of the Cairo Britain-baiters.

What are the other fruits of leadership? They are visible throughout the world. There is peace at last in Malaya. Following the London conference, the future of this troubled land is bright within the Commonwealth.

The Socialists envy this achievement. Why do not the Tories proclaim it?

In Kenya, the mountain of Kilimanjaro watches once more over a tranquil land. It is safe again for a British woman to walk the streets of Nairobi alone and go without fear about her business.

A new Commonwealth nation is being carved in the West Indies. Caribbean Federation—the unity of the islands under one elected government—is a great strengthening of the Empire, fulfilled in London under the guidance of Sir Anthony.

will Russia's two top leaders be with them Mr. Gromyko, the Deputy Foreign Minister, Mr. Mikhaïlov, Minister of Culture, Mr. Kuznetsov, Deputy Minister of Foreign Trade, Mr. V. Y. Yerofeyev, chief of the Foreign Ministry section dealing with British affairs, Mr. Alexander Tupolov, a leading aircraft designer, and Mr. Igor Kurchatov, the atomic scientist.

A staggering list. Who would have thought it possible? One man did. The same man who saved the peace of the world at the Geneva Conference in 1954—Sir Anthony Eden.

Soon every Tory will bask in the public pleasure at his brilliant stroke for peace and better understanding. Nothing but good can come from acquainting the Russian leaders with the strength and prosperity of these islands.

Consider all these blessings. And then ask this question: What possible justification is there for Tory complaints against the Prime Minister's handling of foreign and overseas affairs?

No complaint. Only one. He has failed to advance the Empire cause of economic unity leading to political union. But nor did Attlee. Nor does anyone with power in the land.

Those who hold to the Empire policy have seen it destroyed. It has disappeared over the horizon. But this is no complaint of the Tory mutineers. They do not share the eccentricities of those who hold the Empire dear.

Apart from this, the common failing, Eden has proved himself a good Prime Minister over the whole field of external affairs. He is the man for peace. There is none better. The people trust him.

So where lies his guilt? There can only be one answer: in domestic affairs.

Tomorrow I will examine that proposition.

Of the Teddy Boys, Renee afterwards declared: "They're simply wonderful, rather like a good Prime Minister over the whole field of external affairs. He is the man for peace. There is none better. The people trust him."

It trails on. Does the list end here? Not at all. It trails on. Let me refresh the memories of the Tory mutineers.

The Queen's tour of Nigeria has been hailed by all but our enemies for its fabulous success. Who had the inspiration? Sir Anthony. It was he who proposed the trip.

The Governor of the Gold Coast has since come to London to seek a visit from the Queen to his colony. That is the measure of the goodwill engendered by her tour.

Goodwill, again, has flowed to this country from Malta following Sir Anthony's imaginative acceptance of the principle of Maltese representation in the House of Commons.

But still I have not mentioned the crowning glory of Sir Anthony's short and busy period as Prime Minister: the visit to London of Khrushchev and Bulganin.

The welfare of us all depends on goodwill between Britain and Russia. And never have relations been so fine as they are today.

Malenkov has already been here. On April 18, not only

## THIS WAS THE KIND OF EASTER MAKARIOS HAD

By JOHN REDFERN

**JOHN REDFERN** is the first London journalist to reach the Seychelles since Archbishop Makarios was sent there from Cyprus. Redfern flew 4,000 miles to Mombasa; then "signed on" in the crew of a 120ft. long motor-vessel, Southern Seas, for 1,000-mile six-day voyage to Mahe in the Seychelles. From there he has sent this story.

**ARCHBISHOP MAKARIOS**, now tucked away in the pleasant hillside quarters in this old lair of pirates and corsairs, wants someone to spend two hours every day helping him to improve his English.

Mr. Gwilym Michael, from Milford Haven, the Seychelles Director of Education, is going to arrange this. Of course, the 43-year-old Orthodox prelate has only to ask. For a man described by Sir John Harding as an accomplice of terrorists he is doing very nicely, thank you.

**COCKTAILS?** RECENTLY the Seychelles Government sent an official of South Africa and the Rhodesias to examine the possibilities of a top-grade tourist industry for the island. The Government seems to be practising its "Come to Seychelles" charm on the archbishop.

I would say it is only a matter of time before he is giving a cocktail party in Sans Souci (Carefree), the Governor's weekend house where Makarios is now living.

It is perched under a 3,000ft. mountain. The sea is always brilliant, like blue-black ink held up against the light. You reach Sans Souci, three miles out of Port Victoria, by a wiggly, narrow road with a rough surface. But this road has been repaired for Makarios and his fellow-prisoners—the 21 Bishop of Kyrenia, Ionides, the archbishop's journalist, and Pappaganelou, a priest.

The bishop has been to town shopping, but not the archbishop. To make it dead easy for him the authorities have bought a new Hillman brake to whisk him down the hill when he is ready.

**BRIDGE?** EVERY morning Superintendent Trevor Williams, the police chief, who comes from Ponthyrddre, Wales, calls up bulky Captain "Tiny" Le Geyt, the security officer at Sans Souci. He is 6ft. 2in. tall and is living in a small tent in the garden. "How are the patients today?" asks Williams, a trim man looking younger than his 52 years. Le Geyt reports and then, bowed in his small tent, writes it all down for the Governor, Sir William Adonis, a florid, handsome man who used to be on Mr. Malcolm MacDonald's staff in Southeast Asia.

Captain Le Geyt is the author of a book on bridge and obviously is willing to ask the bishop to cut for trumps. Le Geyt has a pistol, and he drew it the other day—and another copper nearly bit the dust.

So far the Governor has not seen Makarios and company, but he will. His Excellency when at Rugby "fagged" for the Seychelles Chief Justice, M. D. Lyon, the Somerset and England cricketer.

His Excellency wants the outside world to know that the archbishop is being properly looked after and rather favours the idea of a group photograph inside Sans Souci—"something dignified."

Mind, although at the high level of the archbishop's comfort is a constant concern, there are Europeans in the island who say that the archbishop, the bishop, and the other two are a lot of bandits and ought to be put in the local gaol.

But the gaol is out, oh, definitely. Make's small gaol is so overcrowded that every evening I see about 20 men marching down to town—to spend the night in the not-so-crowded women's prison.

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## TEDDY BOYS TRIED TO DATE THE EVANGELIST

By DOROTHY HARRISON

**RENEE MARTZ**, girl evangelist from Chicago, USA, over in Britain to help drive out the Devil, made a preliminary onslaught on London — and found it tough going.

For Renee's special target consists of—the Teddy Boys. But all the Teddy Boys wanted to do was to "date" her. Renee met five of them in a milk bar off the bustling thoroughfare known as the Edgware Road. The Teddies looked on, boggle-eyed, as she walked in.

Renee, sweetly demure in a smart grey outfit, slipped unblushingly on to a stool, Bible in hand, and rolled her theme song: "There's a light in my eyes and a bubble of joy in my heart."

The Teddies cheered and clapped. Renee sipped a soft drink, swept into a hymn. "There'll be a place in the valley for me some day."

Of the Teddy Boys, Renee afterwards declared: "They're simply wonderful, rather like a good Prime Minister over the whole field of external affairs. He is the man for peace. There is none better. The people trust him."

With 30 sermons in her luggage, Renee left afterwards for Wales to open her campaign in preaching the burning fires of Hell—without police.







## TABLE TENNIS

## ROZEANU PREFERS HANDSHAKE GRIP

Tokyo, Apr. 12.

Dethroned Women's World Table Tennis Champion Angelica Rozeanu of Rumania today chose her sides on two controversies shaking the table tennis world.

She said she favoured the handshake grip over the penholder grip used by the Japanese players, and the rubber racket over the sponge racket.

Mrs Rozeanu, graceful Rumanian housewife who failed in her attempt to keep the World Women's crown for the seventh straight year, unburdened herself of some observations in the newspaper Muncial today.

"I learned the limitations of the penholder grip," she said. "The advantage is that it enables the player to transmit into the ball the play which he has in his mind. But the fact that he can use only one side of the racket limits the range over which he can use it. He cannot pick up balls over as wide a range as with the handshake grip. So the handshake is far better if the player has the stamina and the speed."

The former table tennis queen also said she probably would use the rubber racket in the future.

## SPONGE BAT

"My conclusion is that the sponge racket cannot be beaten except by the rubber racket," she said.

In the final of the Men's Doubles match last night, Japan's duo of Ichiro Ogimura, using the sponge racket, and Yoshio Tanaka, using the rubber racket, defeated the defending Championship pair of Ivan Andriandj and Ladislav Attek of Czechoslovakia by the change of pace their different rackets gave them.

## INTERNATIONAL TENNIS

## Easy Win For Lew Hoad In Naples Tourney

Naples, Apr. 12.—Lew Hoad of Australia easily won his match in the Naples international tennis tournament today, defeating Laurence Batchelor of Canada 6-1, 6-0.

In other early Men's Singles, Hugh Stewart of California topped Trevor Faneuil of South Africa 6-2, 3-6, 6-1. Giuseppe Merlo of Italy beat Paul Willey of Canada 4-6, 6-3, 6-3, and Luis Ayala of Chile beat Orlando Sirola of Italy 6-3, 6-3.

In the Women's quarter-finals, Heather Brewer of Bermuda beat Annalisa Belloni of Italy 6-0, 6-8, 6-4 and Ingrid Metzer of Brazil topped Jean Forbes of South Africa 6-3, 6-4. Mrs Brewer and Abe Segal of South Africa beat Miss Metzer and Stellan Skerfving of Sweden in mixed doubles 6-4, 6-2.—United Press.

## ANNUAL LAWN BOWLS MATCH

The annual lawn bowls match between the Craigenweir Cricket Club President's and Vice-President's teams will take place on the Club's green on Sunday April 15, commencing at 3.30 p.m.

## Nominate YOUR Hongkong Footballer Of The Year

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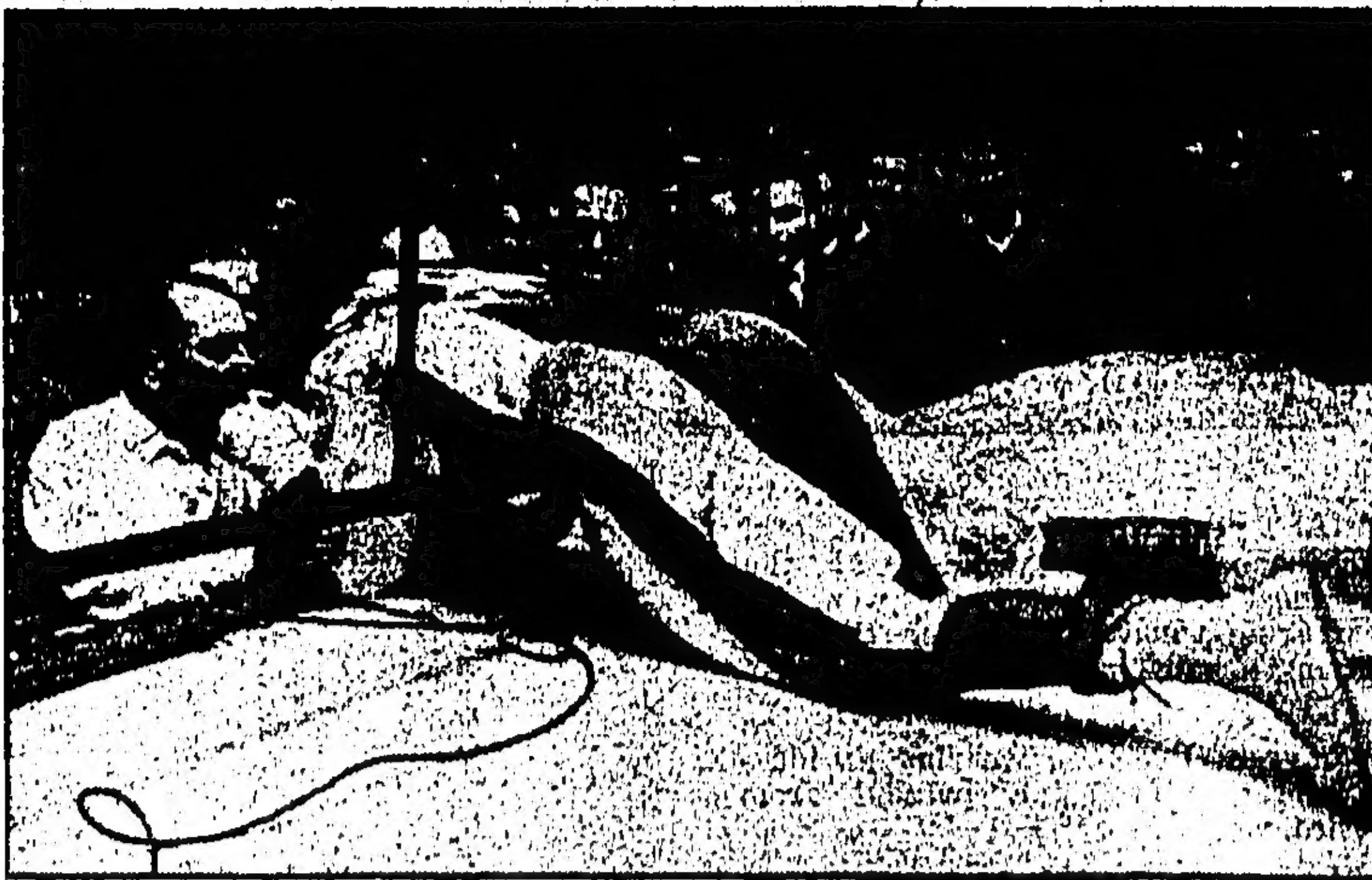
To the Editor, China Mail.

My nomination for Hongkong's Footballer of the Year, taking into regard his playing ability and his sportsmanship on the field of play is

of the.....Club.

(Signed).....

## TROUBLE FOR THE KID



Cuban boxer Kid Gavilan, who recently figured in a dispute over the referee's decision when he lost his last fight with Peter Waterman on points—a decision which everyone agreed was a wrong one (the referee, Ben Green was afterwards reprimanded, was in another scene in Paris on March 29 when he was outpointed by the French boxer Germain Ballarin. In this picture the kid is seen lying on the floor of the ring shouting in Spanish to the referee "This is a scandal—I've been robbed—never in my career have I been hampered so much by a referee."—Central Press Photo.

## Tomorrow's Chances At The Valley

By "RAPIER"

The Hongkong Jockey Club's Tenth Race Meeting of the season will be held tomorrow afternoon. The first saddling bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m. with the first race at 2.00 p.m. sharp.

An attractive programme of 10 events—with satisfactory entries—has been drawn up for this meeting, outstanding among which is the St George's Plate over the mile, a handicap race for ponies of 1955—winners only.

Mr A. Ostroff, who has not ridden at the last meeting on account of illness, has now fully recovered and will be seen in action again tomorrow afternoon.

Here are my estimates of the chances:

## FIRST RACE

Picnic Bay Handicap: From 1 1/4 Mile Post

Class 2 ponies will contest the opening event of the afternoon. Ambition (K. Kwok) has a good opportunity of winning this race, despite its disappointing run at the Easter Race Meeting. It is fighting fit at the moment. Half Moon Bay (W. K. Hsu) has been knocking at the door for a long time, and Iping (A. Travett) is another pony to bear in mind as it is good enough to give these two a good fight. Quicksilver will be piloted by H. K. Cheng and for those who prefer an outsider, this combination is worth following.

## SECOND RACE

Joe House Bay Handicap (First Section): One Mile

This race is confined to Class 5 ponies to be ridden by approved novice riders who have not won 10 races at any time, anywhere. Gladie (T. H. Yau), in view of its gallop on Saturday morning, April 7, when it completed the mile in 2:08—last quarter 28.2 seconds—has, I consider, a good chance of securing a win here, but there is no doubt but that it will meet with serious opposition.

Bengal Lancer (Robert Luk) is running well during morning training and should be considered.

Then there is Eagle King which will be taken out by Andrew Chan and which should be a dangerous contender as these two form a good combination.

Every Day (Allen Chan) and Sealife (Lai Chun-fai) are also worth keeping in mind on account of their good form at the moment.

## THIRD RACE

Republic Bay Handicap: 1 1/4 Mile

This race is confined to Class 10 ponies. Green Velvet (K. Kwok) carrying 148 lbs., won the Breezy Handicap over the two-mile post at the last meeting in the good time of 2:00-4/5 seconds and has been penalised 8 lbs. Can it still win here with this extra weight? I am inclined to believe that it can.

Opposition is likely to come from Rowangian (H. K. Hung). Boyne (A. Ostroff) is another pony to watch, whilst Thunder Sky (S. Samarc) is not bad.

## FOURTH RACE

St. George's Plate: One Mile

This is the main event of the afternoon and is confined to Australian ponies of 1955, winners only. I like the chances of Tell Me Tonight (Robert Tsai), Hongkong Diamond (H. K. Hung), Oscar Prize (H. H. Chan) and Norse King (A. Ostroff). Tell Me Tonight won the Morrison Hill Plate over the mile at the 8th Race Meeting. As it is happier over this distance I think it will win. Hongkong Diamond is dangerous and if Oscar Prize can secure a good start it will give both

every task to pick the winner of this race as several good ponies are included in this section. I believe, however, that the finish will be fought out between Miracle (K. Kwok), Fox Hunter (Chun Shu-ien), Oscar Prize (H. H. Chan) and Santa Claus (W. R. Holman).

Miracle, which won the Lynchurst Handicap (Second Section) over six furlongs at the last meeting, will probably start favourite and the distance is to its liking. Fox Hunter is also in this race if it starts well, as it won the United Handicap over the champion distance in 2:14-4/5 when it led from the start to finish.

Encore should be placed and Santa Claus may be worth following as an outsider.

## NINTH RACE

Joe House Bay Handicap (Third Section): One Mile

This event will be contested by the Third Section of Class 5 ponies. Outsider (Robert Tsai) came second in the Rednaxela Handicap over the two-mile post at the last meeting with S. Samarc up and on that showing it should stand a good chance of winning here. Jemima P, which was officially fourth in the above race, will have a change of jockey in A. Ostroff and if it does not remain too far behind on coming down the straight it should give Outsider a great fight for the premier position.

Pull Ahead (K. Kwok) and Tongber (Allen Chan) are the other two ponies amongst the entries which can be relied on to do well.

## TENTH RACE

Silver Mine Bay Handicap: From 2-Mile Post

This race for Class 2 ponies will wind up the day's programme. I think the two best ponies for this distance are Raja (Robert Tsai) and Johnber (A. Ostroff).

Raja won the Castle Peak Handicap over six furlongs at the 8th Race Meeting in the good time of 1:15-3/5 seconds and, judging on that performance alone, I fancy it to win. Johnber is dangerous; its chances of winning here will depend on a good deal on strong urging on the part of its jockey.

A. Ostroff can be expected to get the best out of his mount. Raja should prove to be a little better and should win, with Johnber second, leaving Gabriel Junks (Allen Chan) and Winsome (H. K. Chuang) to fight out the third place.

## EIGHTH RACE

Joe House Bay Handicap (Second Section): One Mile

Confined to the second batch of Class 6 ponies, it will be no

## Sappers Retain The Major Units Cricket Championship

At the KCC on Wednesday, the Royal Engineers retained the title of Major Units Cricket Champions by beating the 1st Bn., The King's Own by 39 runs. The game was watched by a large crowd of spectators who were in a continuous state of excitement as first one team, then the other, appeared to be getting the upper hand.

The Royal Engineers batted first and their opening pair found runs hard to come by due to the excellent bowling of Lipscombe and Morris. With only 18 runs on the board, Withall was caught forward short leg and without any addition to the score, Shields was bowled by Morris.

There then followed a disastrous period for the Sappers. The next six wickets fell rapidly for the addition of only 15 runs, mainly due to first class bowling by Morris who took three wickets in one over, all bowled.

It appeared that the match would be over before lunch but Gascolgne had other ideas. With powerful drives to the boundary he brought the score to 54 by lunch.

Gascolgne, ably assisted by Jessop, continued in the same vein after lunch and the score mounted slowly but surely. A bowling change by the King's Own brought no relief and Gascolgne eventually reached his fifty, a truly match winning effort.

Jessop and Gascolgne put on 78 runs for the ninth wicket before Gascolgne was well bowled by Morris, who ended the Sappers' inning by getting Kerr bow with his next ball. Morris finished with 7 wickets for 44 and was well mastered by any of the batsmen.

## STARTED BADLY

The King's Own started very badly. Hull, being brilliant, caught by Withall without a run on the board and Fidler being bowled by Wyatt's first ball. Connaughton and De Cordova endeavoured to stop the rot and although neither was comfortable, it did appear that they might retrieve the position.

However, Connaughton was easily run out when the batsmen went for an impossible run and three wickets were down for 15 runs. De Cordova was very uncomfortable against the bowler and he was bowled by him two runs later. The next batsman did not stay long either, being caught at point blank range by Shields, a remarkable catch.

We then saw some semblance of a stand between Lipscombe and Kerr, both batting competently and scoring well. When

## Saturday's Home Soccer Fixtures

Following are the Home Soccer fixtures for tomorrow:

First Division	
Arsenal	vs Birmingham
Aston Villa	vs Sheffield
Bolton	vs Tottenham
Cardiff	vs Newcastle
Chelsea	vs Everton
Huddersfield	vs Charlton
Manchester C.	vs Burnley
Middlesbrough	vs West Ham
Norwich	vs Manchester U.
Sunderland	vs Preston
Wolves	vs Fulham
Second Division	
Blackburn	vs Middlesbrough
Bristol R.	vs Notts C.
Doncaster	vs Leeds
Hull	vs Barnsley
Leicester	vs West Ham
Lincoln	vs Bristol C.
Liverpool	vs Port Vale
Nottingham	vs Bury
Plymouth	vs Rotherham
Fulham	vs Swindon
Stoke	vs Swansea
Third Division (South)	
Bournemouth	vs Crystal P.
Brentford	vs Newport
Colchester	vs Southampton
Coventry	vs Torquay
Exeter	vs Jewell
Gillingham	vs Aldershot
Leyton	vs Shrewsbury
Millwall	vs Northampton
Norwich	vs Brighton
Reading	vs Queens P.R.
Watford	vs Swindon
Third Division (North)	
Accrington	vs Crewe
Barrow	vs Hartlepool
Bradford	vs Halifax
Carlisle	vs Mansfield
Chester	vs Stockport
Chesterfield	vs Scunthorpe
Darlington	vs Derby
Grimsby	vs York
Huddersfield	vs Wrexham
Rochdale	vs Bradford C.
Southport	vs Wigan
Tranmere	vs Oldham

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## Off Beam

Sir.—James Anderson's article on the Scots Soccer team which appeared in your paper of April 11 is a "little off beam". He refers to John Howie as a recent discovery. I can clearly remember this player "turning out" for Scotland in a 'B' international versus England in 1933/34.

The game was played at Hibernian F.C.'s ground at Easter Road, Edinburgh and Howie had quite a good game. My view is that this player has been on the fringe of gaining an international cap for some years, most certainly since his first game with the 'B' team.

I am not a true soccer fan—

and really couldn't care less—

but who is James Anderson?

JACK HULBERT.

## HKAAC PENTATHLON ON SUNDAY

The Annual Pentathlon Championships of the Hongkong Amateur Athletic Club will be held on Sunday afternoon, January 15, starting at 2 p.m. at the Hongkong University Athletic Ground, Pokfulam, by courtesy of the Hongkong University Athletic Union.

The men's Pentathlon Championship will be for members of the HKAAC only, but in conjunction with the Club Ladies' Pentathlon Championship an open Ladies' Pentathlon will be held. Trophy for the men's Championship is the J.A.C. Hurlbutt Cup, won last year by Malcolm Marsh, while a ladies' trophy has been presented by Mrs Johanna Van Vliet, to be known as the Johanna Van Vliet Cup. A banner will be presented to the winner of the Ladies' "Open".

This banner may be won by a member of the HKAAC if she wins the Open Pentathlon as well. Medals will be presented as second prizes in all three competitions.

There will be served at 5.30 p.m. after the final event and before the presentation of prizes. All members of the HKAAC, whether competing in the Pentathlon or not, are very welcome to attend.

In the event of bad weather on Sunday morning at 1 p.m. as heavy rain, an announcement will be made over Radio Hongkong at 12.30 p.m. on Sunday as to whether the meeting will have to be postponed.

## HOME SOCCER RESULTS

London, Apr. 12.

Association Football results today were:

LEAGUE THREE SOUTH

Newport 1 Swindon 0

Northampton 2 Bournemouth 1

Northwich 3 Walsall 2

LEAGUE THREE NORTH

Carlisle 5 Mansfield 2

—Router.

## Final Acceptors

London, Apr. 12.

Twenty-two final acceptors for the Free Handicap (three-year-olds), to be run over seven furlongs at Newmarket on Thursday, April 19, were announced today. All weights have been raised 10 lbs.

With revised weights they were: The Rose of Sharon, 8 st. 13 lbs.; Sculptor, Dionisio and High Lustre (including 5 lbs. extra) all 8-11; Woodward, Rob. Indian, Knight Valiant, Wensnap and Arcady, all 8-10; Prince Moon, 8-9; Roman Court, 8-8; Honeylight, 8-7; Bigbird, Purple Bear and Number, all 8-6; Beedeck, 8-5; Prairie Emblem and Petra, both 8-4; Blue Mink 8-3; Ribbampelle 8-2.

Twenty-two final acceptors for the Blue Rib and Trial Stakes, to be run over one mile and 110 yards, at Epsom on Tuesday, April 24, are (weights for this race have not yet been announced): Atlas, Bolla Toul, Macfarlane, Bism Boy, Royal Chief, Branch Belle, Drum Beat, Pa Bear, Abacorn, Purple Heron, Persian God, Royal Splendour, Monterey, Final

Special.

## THE GAMBOLS

Yesterday everybody's looking at my new hat

I'll bet George feels proud of me

To-day wasn't it fun in the park yesterday—

My new hat?

HUM, WHAT LAY?

GOLDEN CHURN

... better butter

SWIN & MAGLAW LTD.



## DESMOND HACKETT'S COLUMN

We're Tough But Not Dirty,  
Says Birmingham Boss

Birmingham City supporters are hopping mad because I expressed the opinion that the team they love and admire is likely to arrive at Wembley labelled "The toughest team that ever reached the Final."

It is a point of view that appears to be supported by many Soccer citizens residing beyond the boundaries of Birmingham's highly industrial city.

"From Birmingham my comment has produced curiously, phone calls and violently-phrased telegrams. By the twin towers of Wembley, they really are annoyed."

But from manager Arthur Turner, the man who has been in charge of Birmingham since he was a 20-minute member of pace and power, there is no rebuke. Rugged, forthright, Turner merely comments: "Tough? Tough? Of course we are tough! And we are fit too. But we are never dirty."

"This is a man's game. You have to be hard, you have to be fit. If you are not, then take

up something where you are not likely to get hurt. I played for 10 years and not once did I have my name taken, and I reckon I was as tough as they came. But I always kept my head, as I tell my players to keep theirs."

I well remember Arthur Turner in the red-and-white stripes of Stoke City. He was rugged but unruled. I never saw him lose his temper and seldom saw him come out of a tackle without the ball.

## FAST AND HARD

Turner energetically adds: "When I took over at Birmingham on November 12, 1934, I

decided on a policy of playing simple football fast and hard. Believe me, the hardest thing to perfect is simple Soccer played at high speed."

"Then I told the lads they were going to get more than 10, they were going to be fighting it, rugged—rough if you like."

I ventured to suggest that some of the boys were over-playing the part of being the Strong Men of Soccer—that maybe they were getting past the point of being tough, that they were being unduly rough. Luck chose Arthur with this broadside: "There is no room in English football for rough play, for dirty tactics. I won't have them."

"We are prepared to go out and play our game our own way, even though it may appear to be the hard way to some people. If the opposition wants to play it hard too, then good luck to them. We have no complaints."

"I have told my team it is their job to play football and the referee's to ensure fair play. I won't stand for any mousters."

## LIMPING MEN

I mentioned that of course it could have been coincidence, but in the games I had seen Birmingham City playing, it appeared to me that the opposition seemed to have one or two players limping around before the match was over.

I ducked as Turner blazed back: "What do you think has happened to the five Cup Final players I have in dock? I can assure you they didn't slip on banana skins. They took hard knocks, without shirking, even though they knew it might mean missing Wembley."

"In every match during the nerve-hammering weeks before Wembley I have insisted that we must keep up our will to win. It has taken us to the Final."

"We must keep up that determination to keep on winning. We want that Cup and we'll fight for it as hard as we know how. But please forget that line about the rough stuff."

Arthur, I hope you feel better after getting that off your chest. I still feel that there could be just a little less of the Humphrey Bogart and James Cagney in Birmingham's otherwise admirable Soccer act. —(London Express Service).

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HKBA Invites Ten  
To Train For  
Uber Cup Team

Hongkong has received official confirmation from the International Badminton Federation regarding the Ladies' International Badminton Tournament, the Uber Cup competition.

Hongkong has been drawn against Malaya in the first round of the Asian Zone competition and has the choice of courts. The winners of this match will also have the choice of courts in their match against India.

The Executive Committee of the Hongkong Badminton Association, which met at Marina House yesterday, with Dr the Hon. A. M. Rodrigues in the chair, decided to write to Malaya suggesting late August as the tentative date for the meeting. It is also to be stated in the letter that the game will be played in Hongkong, but it has been suggested that there is a possibility it might be played in Malaya. This however depends entirely on the terms the Badminton Association of Malaya has to offer.

The meeting also agreed to invite the following players to start training: Helen Kwong, Diana Yung, Stella Corcoran, Dorothy Lam, Cinder Ho, Ullian Khoo, Mary Wong, Y. Y. Chan, Winnie Cheung and Elvie Tsok.

It is to be suggested to Malaya that "Arrow" shuttlecocks should be used.

JAPAN INVITATION

The HKBA has received an invitation from the Nippon Badminton Association to participate in the Japanese Open Championships from May 3 to 6.

Entrance fee for singles events is U.S. 50 cents; for doubles U.S. \$1 per pair.

Entries close on April 15. Any Hongkong player wishing to participate is requested to write in immediately to the Hon Sec of the HKBA.

The HKBA is to write to the IBF informing them that the 1957 Colony Championships will be held in the latter part of March.

The Chairman then asked the Hon. Sec. to minute the Association's congratulations to CCC on winning the Senior Men's League Badminton title. They beat HKU 7-2 in the final game.

A report from the Championships Secretary, Mr R. Soares, pointed out that there was a distinct decline in Junior entries in the recently concluded Colony Championships. The report stated that this was mainly due to the expense and to the fact that the Colony Championships coincided with the School Championships.

The Chairman commented that the Association suffered a loss of approximately \$400 on the Colony Championships. This was far less than that which the association has suffered in recent years.

## BRITAIN'S NO 1 HORSEMAN



The horses and riders from whom Britain's team will be chosen to go to Stockholm in June for the Equestrian events of the Olympic Games, are now gathered at Windsor for training.

This picture shows Britain's No. 1 horseman, Col. Harry Llewellyn on his new mount (Foxhunter is retired) "Aherlow", during the training session. — Central Press Photo.

## Bright Idea?

By HENRY LONGHURST

Hats off to the Ladies' Golf Union! A fine body of women. I declare, notwithstanding any irrelevant utterances I may have let slip in the past.

Not content with taking on the Americans—and once beating them, which is more than the men have been able to do since the war—they now extend their province and challenge, so far as I can see, to the entire world.

In other words, the Curtis Cup match, which we look forward to their winning at Princes on June 8 and 9, may be the last we shall see in its present form.

The Misses Curtis, Harriet and Margaret, who won the U.S. Women's Championship in 1900 and 1907 respectively, were the first runners by nearly 50 years of Mr John Jay Hopkins and the Curtis Cup, which he presented for the promotion of international good will through golf.

The cup, which bears their names, bears also the inscription "To stimulate the friendly rivalry among the women golfers of many lands," thus making it perfectly clear that they did not have exclusively in mind the closed-shop contests between the United States and Britain that the match has hitherto been.

Others who want to join the party can in no way be looked on as gate-crashers.

## WIDE OPEN

The suggestion now put out by the LGU is to throw the gate wide open. They would carve up the golfing world into four zones: America (U.S. and Canada), Europe (Britain, France, Belgium), Australasia (Australia and New Zealand), and Africa (South Africa, East Africa, Rhodesia, etc.).

They suggest—and I am sure they have worked out the arithmetic of it, though I am hanged if I can—that the finals would be played in Europe and America every nine years and in Australasia and Africa every 18.

It is an intriguing thought that some of the Australasian prodigy may turn the tide, in the Curtis Cup, yet not have

FINAL HOCKEY  
LEAGUE  
STANDINGS

The following are the final standings in the 1955/56 Hockey League:

Ladies' Division			
K.G.V. "A"	10	14	1
Greenland	10	11	2
Recreo	10	10	3
Dorians	10	8	4
Crabtree	10	7	5
Greenland Kings	10	7	6
Victorians	10	6	7
K.G.V. "B"	10	3	8
Services	10	1	9

Men's First Division			
Army "A"	10	14	1
Recreo "A"	10	14	2
Greenland "A"	10	10	3
R.A.F. "A"	10	7	4
Nav. "A"	10	7	5
(R.C.)	10	7	6
Army "B"	10	10	7
Recreo "B"	10	10	8
R.A.F. "B"	10	10	9
Nav. "B"	10	10	10

Men's Second Division			
Dutch Hockey	10	14	1
R.N. "A"	10	14	2
Army "C"	10	10	3
Recreo "C"	10	10	4
R.A.F. "C"	10	10	5
Nav. "C"	10	10	6
(R.C.)	10	10	7
Army "D"	10	10	8
Recreo "D"	10	10	9
R.A.F. "D"	10	10	10
Nav. "D"	10	10	11

Royal H.K. Defence  
Force Orders

Serial No. 15, Orders by Colonel L. T. Ride, CBE, ED, Commandant, Royal Hongkong Defence Force. Dated April 10, 1956.

Force Orders

R.H.K.D.F. Rule Meeting, 1956.—The Commandant has consulted all prize-winners in the H.K.D.F. Rule Meeting 1956 the results of which are as follows:—

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## DEATH

MURKIN—Sundays at sea on  
the 12th April 1956, William J.  
Murphy, master of the ship "City  
of London" (Lloyd's), the funeral  
service will take place at the  
Central Cemetery, Hong Kong,  
at 2.30 p.m. today (13th April,  
1956).

## MUSICAL

LPS of jazz and infinite variety are  
Paul Robeson's (RCA), Duke  
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(RCA), and Duke Ellington's (RCA).  
Folk Songs of Spain, Loreto West  
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Ellington's (RCA), Duke Ellington's  
(RCA), Duke Ellington's (RCA).

## NOTICE

### THE HONGKONG ROPE MANUFACTURING CO., LTD.

NOTICE is hereby given  
that the Sixty-Seventh  
Ordinary Yearly Meeting of  
Shareholders will be held at  
the offices of the Company,  
No. 9 Lee House Street, fourth  
Floor, Hongkong, on Thurs-  
day, 3rd May 1956, at Noon,  
for the purpose of receiving  
the Statement of Accounts  
and the Report of the Direc-  
tors for the year ended 31st  
December 1955, and to trans-  
act the ordinary business of the Company.

The TRANSFER BOOKS  
of the Company will be  
closed from Thursday, 19th  
April 1956 until Thursday,  
3rd May 1956, both days in-  
clusive.

By Order of the Board  
of Directors,  
Shewan Tomes & Co., Ltd.  
R. G. PENFOLD,  
General Manager.  
Hongkong, 12th April 1956.

### NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

"TELEMACHUS"  
Damaged cargo on this vessel will  
be surveyed by Messrs Goddard &  
Douglas at 10.15 a.m. on April 14, 1956, and consignees are  
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BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,  
Agents  
Hong Kong, April 13, 1956.

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# LIQUOR ON 'POINTS' IN SAMOA

## Government Decides Who Shall Drink

Apia, Samoa, Apr. 12.

Even those Europeans who live in countries where drinking hours are restricted are better off than Samoans under their country's liquor laws, administered by New Zealand.

To get a drink here, the would-be drinker must become customers of the Government and buy his liquor through the Samoan Liquor Board. This Board decides who may drink, how much he may have and who is to have whiskey or beer—or both.

First, an application to the Board for a monthly permit to buy liquor, for the Government has a monopoly of both importing and retailing it.

As the administration can supply liquor only for "medical, sacramental or industrial purposes," it does not take long in this thirsty climate for many Europeans to decide the liquor is essential to their health and mental equilibrium.

### LIQUOR LADDER

A form has to be filled in, showing the applicant's name, address, age, sex, occupation, religion, marital status, income and number of children. If the application is successful, a monthly ration of points is allotted on the basis of age, occupation and community importance. But there are no points for anyone under 25 years of age, those under 25 years get 24 points, and those under 30 years, 36 to 48 points.

Members of the Legislative Council get 60 points, heads of departments and firms, 84 points and, really important officials, 180 points.

For the casual visitor, there is another system. The Superintendent of Police has power to issue an "informal" permit which carries 24 to 36 points for a brief stay.

The various kinds of liquor, too, have a points system of their own. A bottle of beer equals one point, a bottle of wine, four points and a bottle of whiskey, 12 points.

### CHEAPER

Although the indigenous population is 80,000, Samoans hold only 200 permits. Europeans, or part-Europeans number 5,000, and hold 800 permits.

One criticism levelled against the Liquor Board is that it does not give enough permits for whiskey. No one knows on what system this is allocated, especially as an applicant may be refused a permit for whiskey although he may have one for other spirits.

From its liquor monopoly, the Government makes a profit of £A15,000 (£12,000 sterling) a year in addition to import duties.

Liquor is cheaper here than in Australia, or England. Whiskey costs 20s a bottle, gin 12s, and English and New Zealand beer 2s 3d a bottle.

New Zealand administrators Samon under a trusteeship approved by the United Nations, which provides that the Dominion Government control the manufacture, import and distribution of liquor in the interests of the inhabitants.

### FOLLOWED EXAMPLE

Where it is not required to ban the sale of liquor to natives, who have never had an intoxicating liquor of their own and whose only knowledge of it comes from contact with Europeans.

They learned to make "jungle juice" when under prohibition imposed by the Samoan Act 1921. Europeans started home brewing.

The Samoans followed their example quickly and today in Samoa the home brewing of

## Memorial Stolen

Melua, Apr. 12.  
Thieves made off with the war memorial of the Vero District of Melua last night, the police announced today.

The memorial was in the form of a bronze statue of a girl holding a palm leaf. The police said the thieves probably wanted the metal.

The huge stone base of the memorial was not touched.—France Press.

Faunafu is a major problem. This is a drink like beer and is made from malt, hops and native fruit. An average of about 20 Samoans a year are arrested by the police in Apia for making it.

Faunafu varies from 1.8 per cent to 24.2 per cent proof spirit. Often it is made under unhygienic conditions.

But for most Samoans, liquor is still an undiscovered adventure. They are not educated to its effects and those who try it get drunk easily.

Church missions, and most of the Samoan Chiefs, oppose liquor for Samoans although, as members of the Samoan Legislative Council, they hold permits themselves.

### DECIDE THEMSELVES

For a long time clubs in Apia have been demanding a special liquor charter, while the hotels believe that the permit system affects the tourist trade.

When Western Samoa becomes self-governing in the near future, the liquor problem will then pass to the Samoans themselves.—China Mail Special.

# Getting Ready For The Big Wedding



Prince Rainier of Monaco (left) who next week marries American film star Grace Kelly, visits the Press House ready to receive the hundreds of French and foreign newspaper men who will report the wedding. Miss Kelly arrived in Monaco yesterday.—Express Photo.

## Austrians To Assault Unscaled Peak

Karachi, Apr. 12.  
Eight Austrians leave here tomorrow for the Karakorum Ranges on the borders of Tibet, where they plan an assault on the unscaled, 26,470-foot peak of Mount Kasherbrum Two.

A special carriage will be attached to the Punjab Express to take them and their equipment over the Sind Desert to Lahore.

The party known as the Austrian Himalaya - Karakorum Expedition, is the first Austrian expedition to visit Pakistan. They arrived by sea yesterday.

Of the four highest Karakorum peaks, only the famous K-2 has been conquered—by an Italian team in 1954.—Reuter.

## Flat-Top Cinema Plan Flattened

Washington, Apr. 12.  
House members have sunk a Government plan to outfit an aircraft carrier as a floating movie palace which would show optical, three-D spectacles around the world.

Appropriations Committee sources said a sub-committee handling funds for the United States Information Agency has eliminated a \$3,790,000 item to take a Navy flat-top out of mothballs and equip it to show the film Cinema in 35 ports from Algiers to Yokohama. The sub-committee was reported to have decided the project was not worth what it would cost. Some members also questioned its effectiveness.—United Press.

## GERMAN DEPUTIES WALK OUT

Bonn, Apr. 12.  
Socialist-Democrat deputies walked out of the West German Parliament on-bloc today after a right-wing "German Party" member had associated them with the "Bulbous Domes" of the Kremlin.

The member, Herr Herbert Schneider, had risen to ask that the new German army drop its screening commission for senior officers.

Turning to face the Socialist-Democrat benches, Schneider shouted: "When I look at you, I see before me the bulbous domes of the Kremlin."

He refused to retract his statement when called to order by the Speaker, and the Socialist-Democrat deputies walked out in protest.—France Press.

# East German Firms Use Forced Prison Labour

Berlin, Apr. 12.

State-owned enterprises in East Germany are using forced prison labour in an attempt to overcome the worsening shortage of manpower, according to a survey made by the West Berlin anti-Communist Fighting Group against Inhumanity.

The survey was compiled after extensive questioning of released prisoners from all 39 major prisons and forced labour camps known to exist in East Germany. These have a capacity of 31,000 men and 4,000 women.

Additional details were given by East German justice officials who have fled to West Berlin.

Prisoners are forced to work by various means, but especially by the need to earn money to buy additional food. They also hope to obtain a reduction of sentence by doing extra work.

If a prisoner fulfils regularly a certain quota of work, he can get two months of imprisonment taken off his sentence for every month of work.

### 'Brigade' System

This, however, looks easier than it is. In the quarries, for example, where work norms are high in any case, the prisoners have to exceed the normal quota by 40 per cent each day. This means that they have to work half as hard again as the average East German worker, and this under prison conditions with inadequate food.

The system is further complicated by the "brigade" organisation under which a number of prisoners are assigned a quota as a "work brigade." In these, strong and healthy prisoners have to do even more than the 140 per cent to make up for the disability of weaker comrades.

Either the whole brigade manages to reach the 140 per cent mark regularly for one month or none of its members get a reduction of sentence.

The prisoner is forced to work by yet another consideration. As long as he works, the state-owned enterprise pays normal

social insurance fees for him. This means free treatment in hospital after his release, when most prisoners need it.

Families of imprisoned men are not supported by the East German state. So the prisoner again sees his only chance of helping his family in work under the conditions laid down.

The state-owned enterprises pay the full statutory wage to the prison administration but still make a good bargain.

There is no absenteeism, for they all want to exceed their norm, and the quality of work can easily be supervised by one or two foremen for every hundred workers.

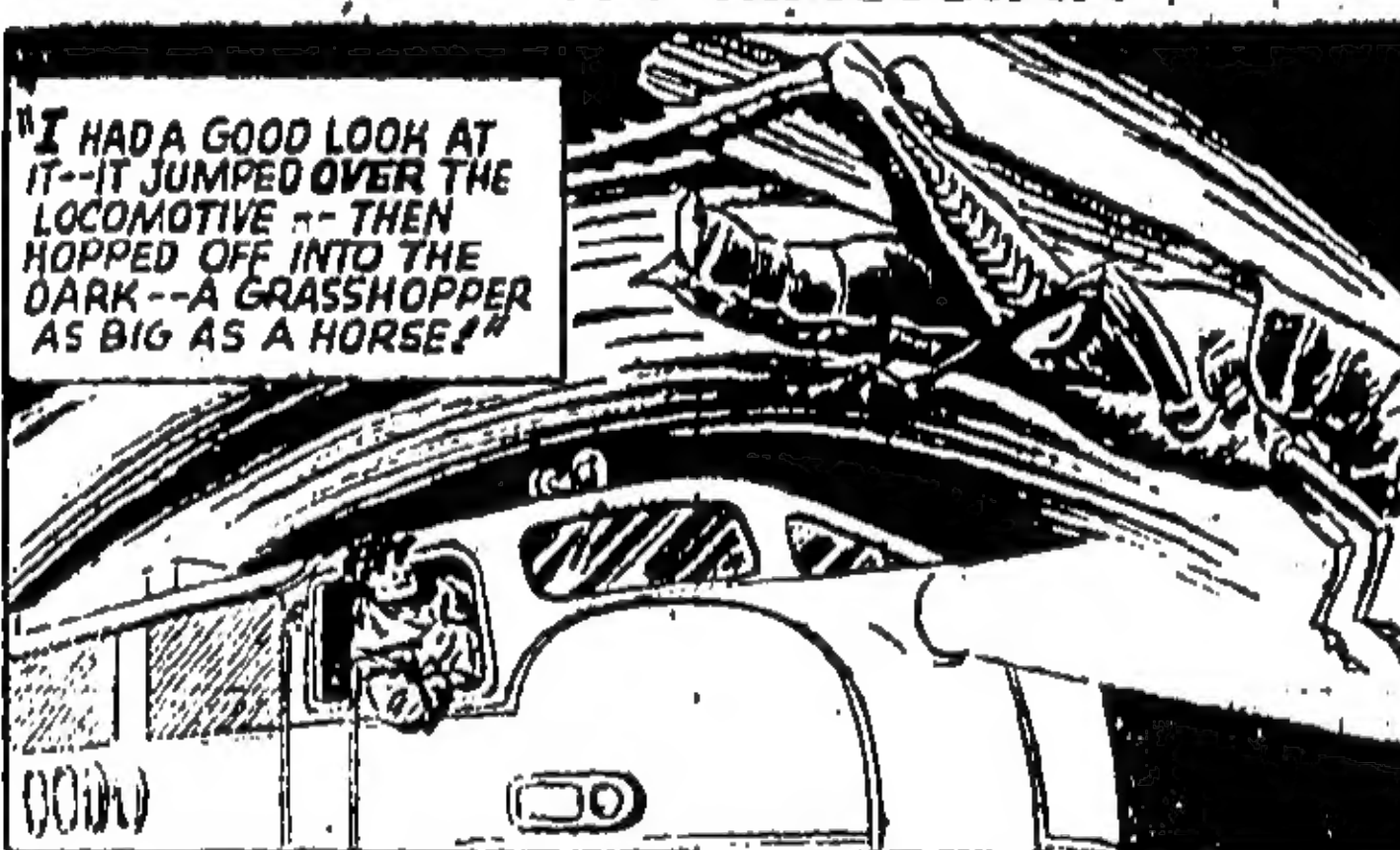
About 80 per cent of the wage goes to the prison administration for the prisoner's board and lodging, about 12 per cent is paid to the family, and the prisoner himself gets about eight per cent in cash—which means between 15 and 30 marks (between 25 shillings sterling and 40 shillings sterling)—a month.

With this, he can buy tobacco or, even more important, margarine (at 2.20 marks or 3/6d a pound) or butter (at five marks or 8/4d a pound).

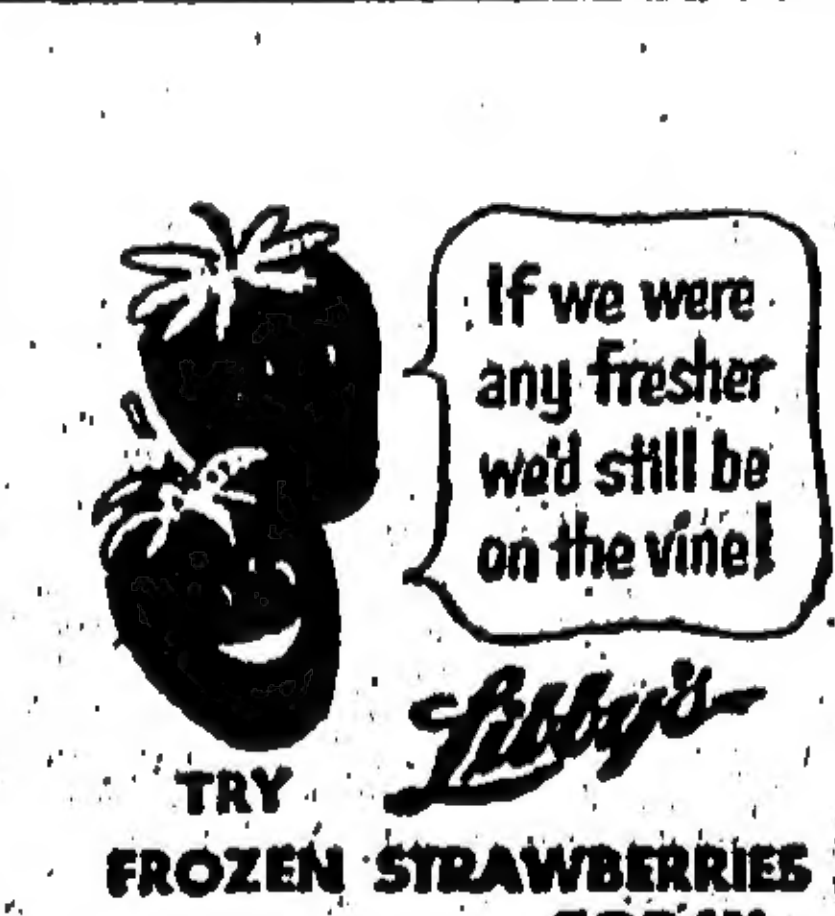
### Work Range

Butter and margarine are scarce in East Germany, however, and often the state shops in the prisons have none. Instead, they sell biscuits, cheese, jam and tinned fish. Work done by the prisoners ranges from simple sewing jobs to fitting metal parts and heavy manual labour.—China Mail Special.

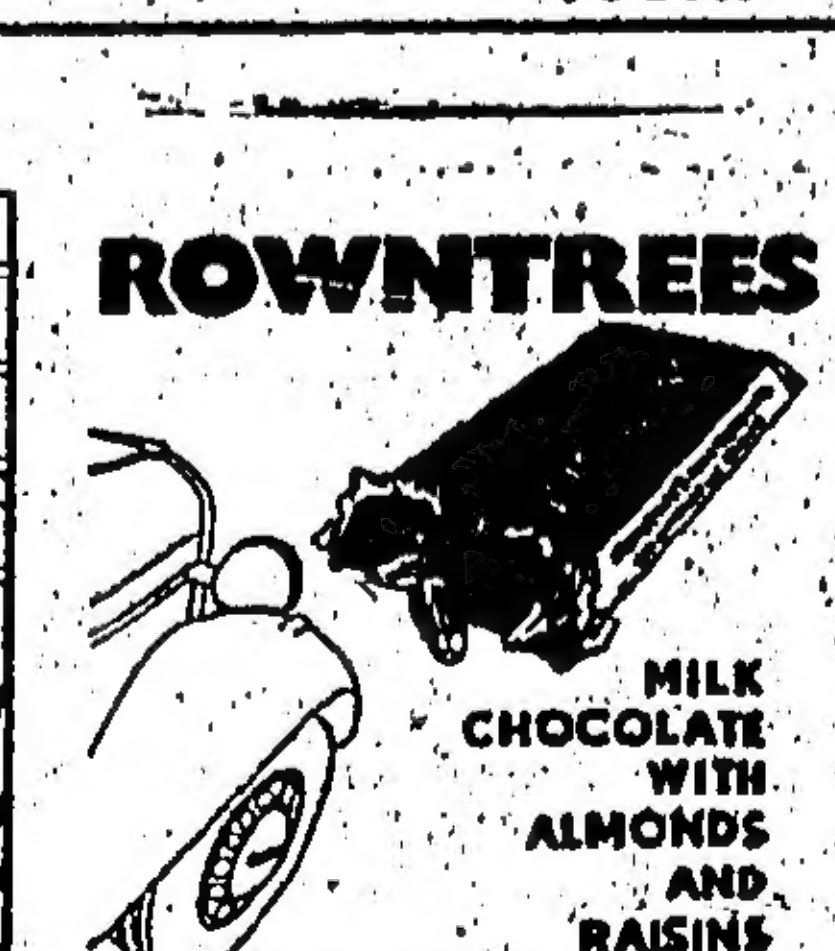
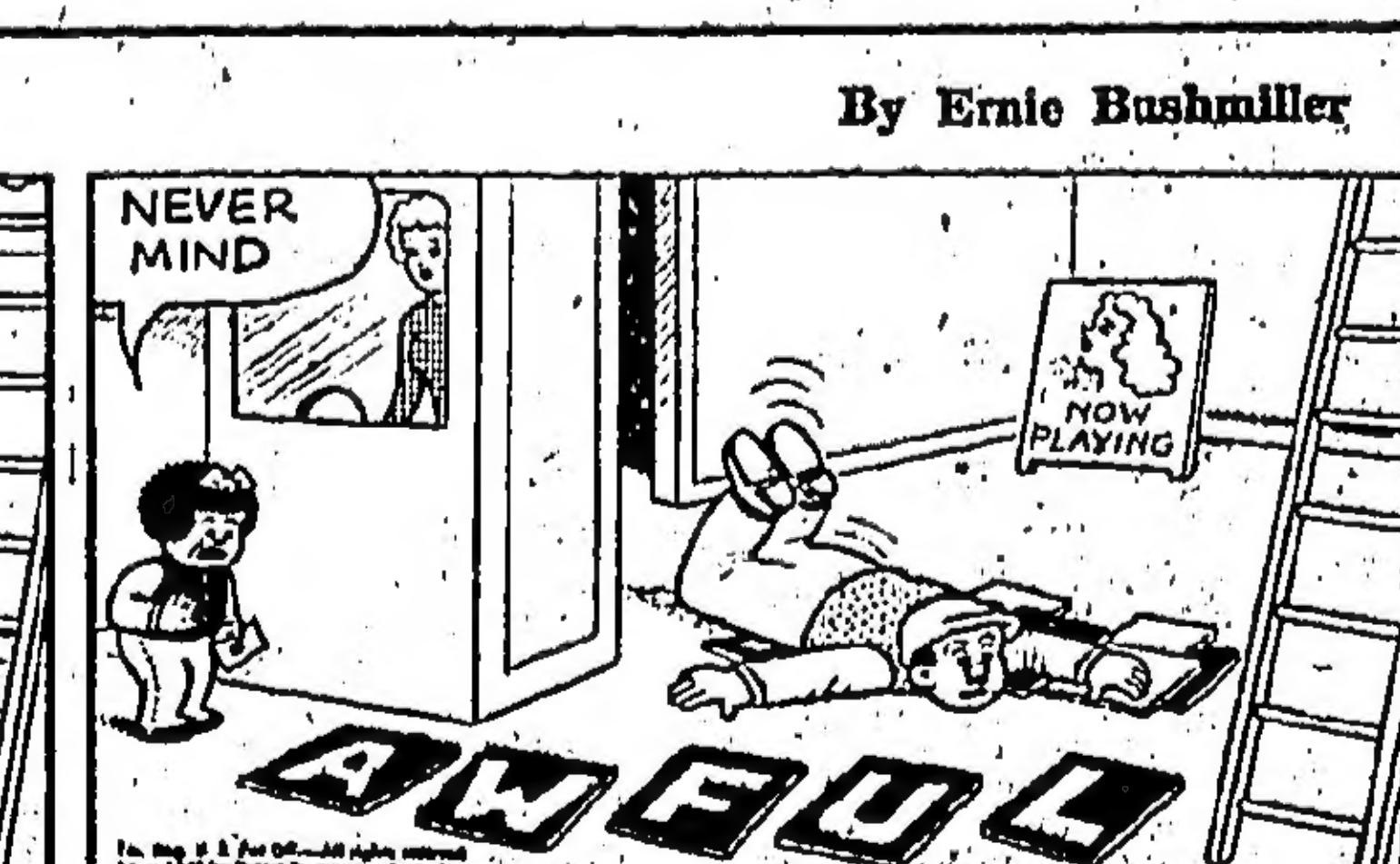
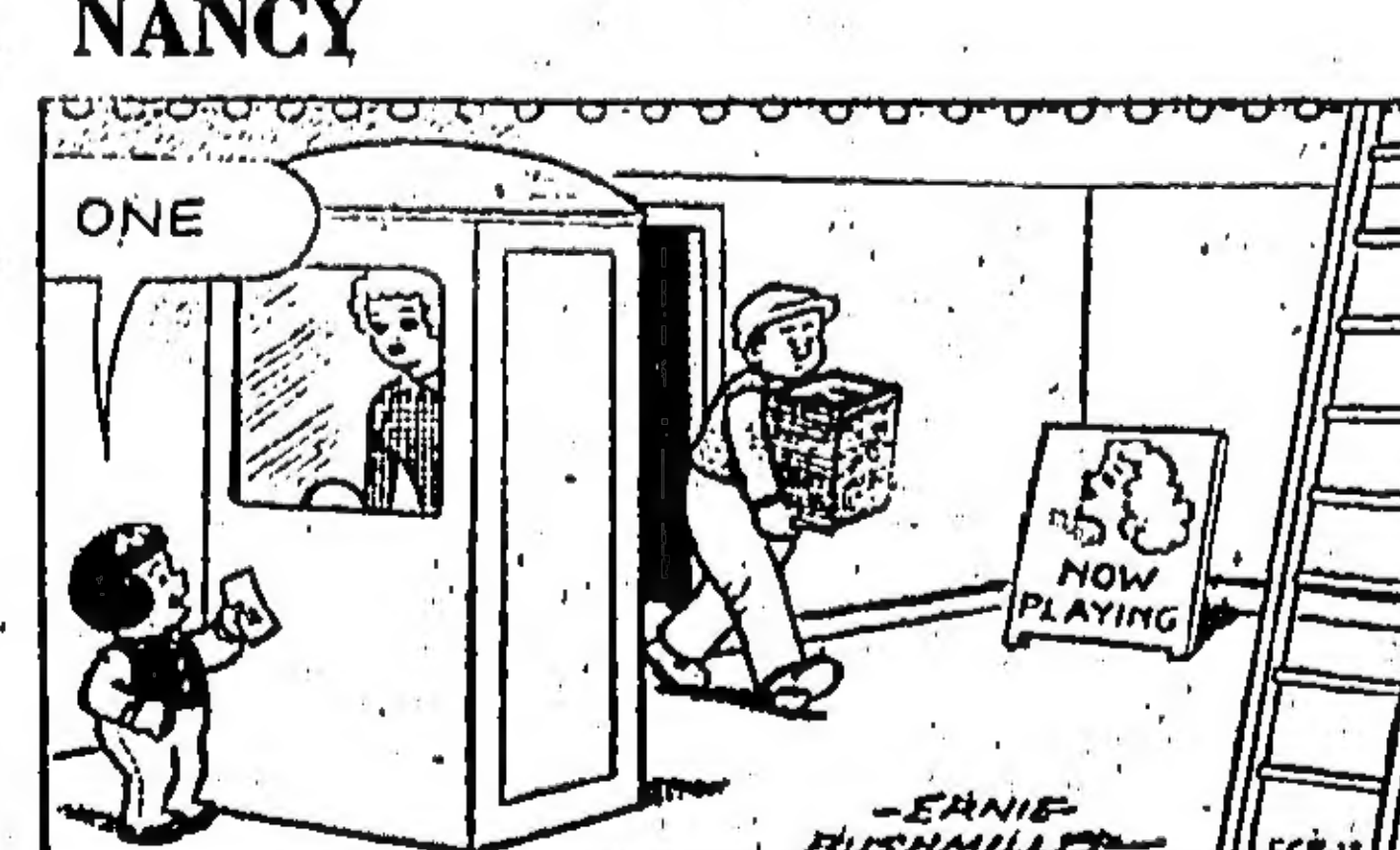
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# Negro Singer Ordered To Rest

Chicago, Apr. 12.

The negro singer, Nat King Cole, who was assaulted by three white men during an appearance in Birmingham, Alabama, on Tuesday night, was ordered by his doctor today to rest here until Friday.

The singer cancelled plans to fly to Los Angeles to see his family and was forced to turn down a request that he fulfil an engagement in Charlotte, North Carolina, tonight.

Dr James Scott, who treated Cole for a "mild back injury" yesterday, said the singer suffered a "muscular strain" and was under daily treatment.

### AVOID COMPLICATIONS

The doctor explained that he had ordered rest to "avoid any complications from the nervous tension he had been under." The Charlotte police chief, Frank Littlejohn, telephoned Cole asking him to fulfil his cancelled engagements in Charlotte tonight and promised, "Nothing will happen in any way to embarrass you or your company."—United Press.

# Lysenko's Brother Naturalised

Pittsfield, Apr. 12.

Paul Lysenko, brother of Soviet biologist, Trofim Lysenko, was naturalised an American today after working seven years as a day labourer while awaiting citizenship.

Lysenko, aged 40, said he hopes to resume his profession of a chemist, which he abandoned after leaving the Soviet Union in 1942, ahead of the German invasion.

Lysenko said he was awarded a Soviet decoration for best breeding a method for raising low-quality cattle. He was naturalised after two days after Trofim Lysenko was ousted as head of the Soviet Agriculture Academy.—France Press.







JOHN CLARKE'S CASEBOOK

A Gamble In Court Comes Off

A CHUBBY man strolled from a public house in the Easton road. A few yards away, two other men stood. One nodded in the chubby man's direction. "There he goes," he said to his companion.

The chubby man, whose name was Martin, sauntered down the street, looking at the other two men. He was in a hurry to get away from them, and he was not in a hurry to get away from them.

Presently they saw another man hurry up to Martin, speak to him briefly, hand him a 10s note, and go on his way.

The man who had just spoken to Martin, was a policeman in plain clothes, saw Martin twice again, within the next five minutes, consulted by apparent strangers, one of whom handed over a 10s note, and the other, who was directly in front of him.

AS the last of the three hurried off, Martin, too, left the street corner. The policeman followed and saw him go into a telephone box. When he came out, he said, "We're arresting you for loitering for the purpose of betting."

"What?" Martin angrily demanded.

"You're not betting," Martin said. "You got the needle in me, that's what."

He was taken to the police station, and there, when he was searched, were found on him £25 in notes, two mobile phone receivers, and a newspaper folded open at the page which many men hold to be the most important—the racing page.

PAINED

At the Clerkwell court, Martin pleaded not guilty to the charge of loitering for betting purposes, and the first of the policemen told Mr. E. G. Hooley, the magistrate, what he had seen.

"That is my evidence," said the policeman at last. The magistrate turned to Martin. "Do you want to ask him any questions?" he inquired.

Air Registration Board Surveyor

H.E. the Governor has appointed Mr. F.E. Johnson to be Air Registration Board Surveyor for the purposes of the Colonial Air Navigation Order of 1955, during the absence of Mr. A.E. Clifford. It was announced in the Government Gazette today.

"We Will Keep The Peace"

(Continued from Page 1)

Anthony Eden in London next week.

Sir Anthony has planned to give the explosive Mideastern question top priority in his discussions with Soviet Premier Nikolai Bulganin and Communist Party chief Nikita Khrushchev.

The British plan is to elicit from the Russians a clear statement of their intentions in the strategic area and an undertaking to stop the arms supply to Egypt.

Communist diplomats have now indicated that the Kremlin is not likely to do that in bilateral talks with Britain and without major Western concessions.

The Soviet favours instead a wider conference on the Middle East with the Western Powers and other interested nations which would presumably include the Mideast Powers and some Asian nations.

Such a course would, in the Soviet calculation, imply that Russia had a "say" in the Middle East.

FRENCH REQUEST

Washington, Apr. 12.

France has stepped up its pressure for an early conference of the Big Three foreign ministers on the Mideast crisis.

Diplomatic sources said a new French plea for a British-French-US meeting was made yesterday to Secretary of State John Foster Dulles by the French Ambassador, Maurice Couve de Murville. The Dulles-Murville meeting was not officially disclosed by the State Department.

State Department officials acknowledged receipt of the new French proposal for a Big Three meeting. They said, however, that "this matter is under consideration, but there is nothing firm."

H.E. the Governor has appointed Mr. G. T. Tagg to be a Member of the Mercantile Marine Assistance Fund Committee during the absence of Mr. B. T. Flanagan. It was announced in the Government Gazette today.

SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"Mom's going to slice the roast beef if you stay for dinner—she can cut it lots thinner than Dad!"

Manila Thrilled By British Canberras

Manila, Apr. 13.

Britain's mighty Canberra bombers thrilled Manilans with their speed and manoeuvrability today and a British official said that the Royal Air Force was "ready for any emergency" anywhere in the world.

"Our air power is available to the Philippines and the SEATO powers," said Air Vice-Marshal Wallace Kyle, commanding officer of the Royal Air Force squadron based in Malaya.

Air Vice-Marshal Kyle is here on a four-day goodwill visit with a contingent of five Royal Air Force Canberra bombers and two Valletta transporters carrying 33 British flight officers and crewmen.

The twin-jet Canberra bombers flew in at 8.30 a.m. yesterday, after a successful 3 1/2-hour trip from Singapore. A series of flying exhibitions in Manila. The jet bombers were preceded by the Valletta aircraft, which arrived on Wednesday afternoon.

Vice-Marshal Kyle said that the Royal Air Force had an "efficient" force in the Far East capable of destructive power "in any full-scale war."

FLEXIBLE

While he maintained that the Royal Air Force detachment in the Far East was substantial, he said, "Air Force is a flexible thing and can be reinforced in a very short time."

Asked if the Royal Air Force, especially the squadron based on Manila, could extend support to SEATO member nations like the Philippines, Vice-Marshal Kyle said:

"Our air power is available to the Philippines and SEATO powers, according to the policies of the organization. If needed, we can quickly dispatch an Air Force squadron."

Hundreds of Manila residents were at Manila International Airport at 8.30 a.m. today as the Canberras gave their first flying demonstration. Scores more watched on the rooftops of business establishments in downtown Manila.

IMPRESSED

The big bomber impressed the spectators with their speed and the crowd at the airport, entitled "oh!" as the planes circled low over the field.

The British planes will be placed on public display later in the day while the visiting RAF pilots pay a courtesy call on President Maguiness.

A "Fiesta Filipina" will be held for the visitors at the Philippine armed forces' Camp Murphy in suburban Manila in the afternoon. In the evening, the British flyers will be guests at a dance, scheduled by the United Forces Organisation Club at the Manila Hotel.

The goodwill mission will leave on Monday for the return trip to Malaya.—United Press.

UC ASSISTANT SECRETARY

H.E. the Governor, in exercise of powers conferred on him by the Urban Council Ordinance, has appointed Mr. M. W. Runney to be an Assistant Secretary to the Urban Council, vice Mr. A.G.E. Fudge. It was announced in the Government Gazette today.

NEW CONDITIONS FOR MARKET STALL LEASES

Amendments in Urban Council by-laws, under the Public Health Food Ordinance, were published in the Government Gazette today.

These vary the manner of granting market stall leases and the conditions attached to them. The leases are now to run from quarter to quarter instead of month to month, and the tenants are selected initially by way of auction.

The Council is empowered to grant fresh leases, with or without varying the rent, where a lessee wishes to assign his lease or where he dies leaving a widow, joint lessee or dependant of next kinship.

Each lessee is now required to deposit one month's rent (by-law 9(3)), and the quarter's rent is required to be paid by the first day instead of within the first two weeks of the quarter (by-law 11(1)). The one month's notice to determine a tenancy now takes effect at the end of the quarter, and failure to give this notice entails a forfeiture of the deposit (by-law 15). These provisions are intended to end the long-in-rent that have occurred in the past.

MUST BE LICENSED

All lessees carrying on business at a stall are required to be licensed (by-law 9A), and these licences may be suspended for contraventions of the by-laws (by-law 14). Previously a lessee could absent himself for an indefinite period provided he notified the Council of the name of the agent left in charge of the stall. Now delegation of control for any period beyond one week requires the Council's permission, except for periods of less than one month whose aggregate in any one year does not exceed three months (by-law 17).

It often happens that persons illegally hawking in the market drop their wares on the approach of the police or market officials. The new by-law 28A forbids hawkers to deposit articles in the market; and the new by-law 32A empowers health inspectors to seize any food, including the container, or any utensils etc. in the apparent use of hawkers which have been deposited in the market. Most of these articles are likely to be of a perishable nature and they are to be disposed of in accordance with the directions of the Council.

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